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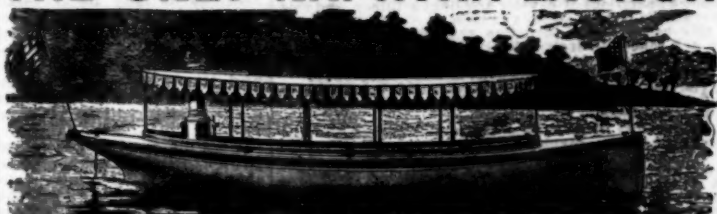
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NOMINATIONS—MARCH 14.

Subsistence Department.

Lieutenant-Colonel John P. Hawkins, Assistant Commissary-General, to be assistant commissary-general with the rank of colonel, March 12, 1892, vice Bell, retired from active service.

Major John W. Barrizer, Commissary of Subsistence, to be assistant commissary-general with the rank of lieutenant-colonel, March 12, 1892, vice Hawkins, promoted.

Captain Charles P. Egan, Commissary of Subsistence, to be commissary of subsistence with the rank of major, March 12, 1892, vice Barrizer, promoted.

G. O. 16, H. Q. A., March 11, 1892.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraph 553 of the Regulations is amended to read as follows:

553. Each department commander will designate one or more posts as depots at which prisoners sentenced to confinement in the Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, will be collected from the several posts in his department, but in cases where economy in the expenses of transportation would result, such prisoners will be sent by the department commander direct from the post where confined to the Military Prison.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

CAVALRY AND LIGHT ARTILLERY SCHOOL.

G. O. 17, H. Q. A., March 14, 1892.

By direction of the Secretary of War, in pursuance of the act of Congress approved January 29, 1887, a school of instruction for drill and practice for cavalry and light artillery will be established at Fort Riley, Kansas.

1. It shall consist of one regiment of cavalry (as nearly as practicable), such batteries of light artillery, not exceeding five, as may be found practicable, and such other officers and enlisted men as may be assigned to duty at the school for instruction. The troops of each arm shall constitute a sub-school of practice. The director of the sub-school for cavalry shall be the senior officer of cavalry present next to the commanding officer of the school; the director of the sub-school for light artillery shall be the senior officer of artillery present.

2. The commanding officer of the school shall be the colonel of the cavalry regiment, and in his absence the senior officer of cavalry or artillery present.

3. The school staff shall consist of the commanding officer and all the field officers of cavalry and artillery present, and the adjutant of the cavalry regiment shall be secretary of the school.

4. The school shall at all times be governed by the rules of discipline prescribed for all military posts and by the regulations of the school.

5. The organization of the cavalry command will, as far as practicable, be complete within itself for all purposes of administration and instruction. In like manner the organization of the artillery command will be complete within itself for like purposes.

6. The principal object of this school is instruction in the combined operations of cavalry and light artillery, and this object should be kept steadily in view.

7. One-half of each instruction year shall be devoted by each sub-school to instruction in the special duties of its own arm with the addition of signaling with the flag, torch, and heliograph, and, if practicable, military telegraphy.

8. The second half of each school year shall be devoted to the field work and exercises of the two arms, cavalry and artillery combined.

9. Preparatory to the work of instruction in each year, the school staff herein provided for shall prepare a full scheme for the course of instruction to be followed that year for the sub-school and for the school of both arms combined.

10. At the close of the instruction year the director of each sub-school shall submit to the commanding officer of the Cavalry and Light Artillery School an annual report of the progress and wants of his sub-school, and the commanding officer shall in like manner submit a like report to the Commanding General of the Army.

11. The Cavalry and Light Artillery School shall be under the immediate orders of the Commanding General of the Army, but shall be subject to inspection by the department commander, and in emergencies the troops belonging to the school shall also be subject to his orders.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

G. O. 19, H. Q. A., March 16, 1892.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraph 924 of the Regulations is amended to read as follows:

924. The judge-advocate of each department, or the officer acting in that capacity, will forward to the Judge-Advocate General, annually, on the 31st day of August, a report giving the number and character of cases tried by courts-martial in the department during the year. This report will show the number of officers and enlisted men tried by general courts-martial and the number of enlisted men tried by inferior courts-martial, and will contain such recommendations and remarks touching the administration of military justice as he may deem proper to offer.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

TRANSFERS OF TROOPS.

G. O. 20, H. Q. A., March 16, 1892.

The Secretary of War having approved of the following transfers of troops, they are hereby directed:

CAVALRY.

1. The 1st Regiment (except Troop L) from the Department of Dakota, and Troop L, from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to the Department of Arizona. The movements to commence April 20. The necessary detachments will be left in charge of horses and surplus property until relieved by incoming troops.

The 10th Regiment, except Troop I, from the Department of Arizona to the Department of Dakota. Troop I to Fort Leavenworth. The movements to commence upon the regiment being relieved by the 1st Regiment.

Horses and horse equipments, of both regiments, will be left in their present departments for the incoming regiment. The movements to be in detach-

ments, as may be most convenient and economical, and by rail, with such marching, to and from rail stations, as may be necessary.

Troop L (Indian) 1st Regiment; Troop L (Indian) 6th Regiment; and Troops B and K, 7th Regiment, with their horses and equipments, to Fort Sheridan, Illinois. The movements by rail, with such marching as may be necessary, to commence about June 1, or as soon thereafter as the Quartermaster-General shall have reported accommodations at Fort Sheridan in readiness.

Troop F, 7th Regiment, to Fort Myer, Virginia. The movement, by rail, to take place about April 1. The troop will be remounted at Fort Myer, and, accordingly, will transfer its present horses and their equipments to the Quartermaster's Department at its present station.

Troop H, 7th Regiment, with horses and equipments, to Fort Riley, Kansas. The movement, by rail, with such marching as may be necessary, to take place at such time as may be designated by the department commander, after Troops B and K, 7th, shall have changed to Fort Sheridan.

INFANTRY.

II. The Lieutenant-colonel and remaining four companies of the 9th Regiment, after completion of the movement of the companies of the 11th now in Department of the East, from the Department of Arizona to the Department of the East—two companies to Madison Barracks, one to Fort Ontario, and one to Plattsburgh Barracks. The movements to be in detachments, and by rail, with such marching as may be necessary.

The Lieutenant-colonel, and remaining four companies of the 11th Regiment from the Department of the East to the Department of Arizona, to such station, or stations, therein, as may be designated by the department commander after consultation with the regimental commander. The movement, by rail, with such marching as may be necessary, to take place after the two companies at Fort Niagara shall have been relieved by companies of the 21st.

Companies B, C, D and H of the 6th Regiment, to Fort Thomas, Kentucky, the major of the regiment to Newport Barracks, Kentucky. The movements, by rail, to commence when relieved by companies of the 9th and 21st Regiments.

Headquarters and five companies of the 21st Regiment from the Department of the Platte to the Department of the East—headquarters and three companies to Fort Niagara, and two, under the major, to Fort Porter. The companies to be designated by the commanding general Department of the Platte after consultation with the regimental commander. The movements, to commence May 1, to be in detachments, as may be most convenient and economical, and by rail, with such marching to rail stations as may be necessary.

The Lieutenant-colonel and remaining companies of the regiment will continue in the Department of the Platte until further orders, and pending the designation of their future stations, with suitable accommodations, in the Department of the East.

III. All enlisted men who have six months, or less, to serve, and who do not intend to re-enlist, will be left at their present stations to be transferred or attached to organizations thereat, or to arrive.

IV. The respective department commanders will, through concert of action, give such additional directions as may be necessary: arrange all further details with due regard to economy and the comfort of officers and men; and direct the transfer of the enlisted men hereby authorized and ordered.

V. As far as practicable all regimental company, and the authorized allowance of officers' baggage will be shipped by rail from initial points to the new stations of the different detachments of each regiment.

VI. Commanding officers will see to it that the property to be transported is confined to the lowest possible limit, and that all surplus or unserviceable property is transferred to the proper officer at the station from which the troops are ordered. En route to their new stations troops and companies will, as to ammunition, take only the amount usually carried on the person of the soldier.

VII. The transportation required by this order, after due proposals from the lines interested, will be furnished by the Quartermaster's Department, and the cost of each movement reported to the Quartermaster-General as soon as known.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

G. O. 21, H. Q. A., March 17, 1892.

Describes the tract of land, located on the Kiowa and Comanche Reservation in the Territory of Oklahoma, in townships 1 and 2 north, range 8 west of Oklahoma, reserved and set apart as a wood reservation for the post of Fort Sill, Oklahoma Territory, with a total area of twenty six thousand eight hundred and eighty (26,880) acres.

G. O. 22, H. Q. A., March 17, 1892.

By direction of the Secretary of War paragraphs 910 and 911 of the Regulations are amended to read as follows:

910. No person under the age of twenty-one years will be enlisted or re-enlisted without the written consent of his parents or a legally appointed guardian. Recruiting officers must be very particular to ascertain the true age of the recruit; if any doubt exist as to the applicant's statement regarding his age, his oath will not be taken as conclusive evidence of the fact, and if he cannot furnish competent proof to support his statement he will be rejected. Boys between the ages of sixteen and eighteen years will not be enlisted except as musicians or to learn music; and then only after their aptitude for such duties has been duly ascertained, and with the approval of the superintendent (general, department or regimental), which will only be given when the applicant is wanted to fill a known vacancy.

911. When minors present themselves for enlistment they will be treated with great candor. Their parents or guardians will be found and informed of the applications, that they may make objection or give consent.

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

DIVISION OF MILITARY INFORMATION.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, March 15, 1892.

Orders:

The Division of Military Information heretofore created in the office of the Adjutant-General of the Army is hereby reorganized as follows:

1st. The Division will be placed in charge of an officer of the Adjutant-General's Department, to be selected by the Secretary of War.

2d. In addition to its other duties the Division will be charged with:

(a.) The collection and classification of military information of our own and foreign countries, especially with respect to armed, reserved and available strength, natural and artificial means of communication (rivers, canals, highways and railroads); the manufacture of arms, ammunition and other war material; supplies of food, horses, draft animals, etc., etc.

(b.) The preparation of instructions for the guidance of officers of the Army serving or travelling abroad, or acting as military attaches, and the arrangement and digest of information contained in their reports.

(c.) The issuance to the Army of military maps, monographs, books, papers and other publications, and the dissemination of valuable information on military subjects throughout all branches of the service.

(d.) Correspondence with State authorities and militia officers on questions affecting the organization and armament of the militia of the several States and Territories and of the District of Columbia, and the reference to proper authority of questions for decision relating to tactical instruction, discipline and equipment.

(e.) The preparation of instructions to the officers detailed by the Secretary of War to visit the several encampments of State troops and to witness the movements and exercises of the militia, as well as the digesting, arrangement and preservation of all reports that may be duly submitted by them.

(f.) The study and preparation of plans for the mobilization and transportation of militia and volunteers and their disbandment, and for the concentration of the military forces of the United States at the various strategic points on or near the frontiers of the country.

3d. The Division of Military Information will also have charge of a Museum to be established for the proper care and preservation of such military relics as are now in the several bureaus of the War Department, or as may hereafter be obtained.

4th. The officer in charge shall perform such other duties as naturally appertain to the Division, or as may be hereafter assigned to him from time to time by the Secretary of War.

(Signed) S. B. ELKINS, Secretary of War.

CIRCULAR 3, H. Q. A., March 7, 1892.

The following decisions, rulings, etc., have been made, and are published to the Army for the information of all concerned:

I. POST EXCHANGE.—Any question not involving pecuniary responsibility upon which the post exchange council and commanding officer may disagree will be submitted for final decision to the department commander in accordance with the principle underlying the provisions of paragraph 281, Army Regulations.—[Decision Maj. Gen. Comdg. Army, Feb. 2, 92—24394 A. G. O., 1892.]

II. FINAL STATEMENTS.—Paragraph 722, Army Regulations, requires not only that the amount in dollars should be written out in words, but that the amount of fractional parts of a dollar (cents) should be written out in the same manner.—[Decision Sec. War, Feb. 10, 92, 25094 A. G. O., 1892.]

III. DETAIL OF NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS FOR GENERAL OR POST MESS.—The clause of General Orders, No. 129, October 30, 1890, from the Adjutant-General's Office, forbidding the detail in each troop, battery, or company of any enlisted man on special duty as superintendent of kitchen or messes, refers to company messes only, and not to the detail of a non-commissioned officer as mess steward of a general or post mess. Under paragraph 303 of the Regulations, as amended by General Orders, No. 13, February 16, 1892, from the Adjutant-General's Office, the mess council shall allot to the mess steward an allowance of fifty cents per day, and in addition thereto a proper share of the per diem of the remaining \$1.50 allowed to be distributed among the mess employees.—[Decision Sec. War, Feb. 12, 92—10580 A. G. O., 1891.]

IV. DISCHARGE BY PURCHASE.—Enlisted men who are serving in the second, third, etc., enlistment, but who are not deriving pecuniary benefit from former enlistment, are entitled to purchase their discharge under clause 1, General Orders, No. 81, A. G. O., 1890.—[Decision Sec. War, Feb. 24, 92—2443 A. G. O., 1891.]

By command of Maj.-Gen. Schofield:

J. C. KELTON, Adjt.-Gen.

G. O. 2, DEPT. OF THE COLUMBIA, Feb. 24, 1892.

The target practice season for the year 1892 is as follows: Rifle and Carbine Firing.—Boise Barracks, April 15 to June 14; Fort Canby, April 1 to May 31; Fort Sherman, May 1 to June 30; Fort Spokane, July 1 to August 31; Fort Townsend, April 1 to May 31; Vancouver Barracks and Fort Walla Walla, May 1 to June 30. Pistol Practice.—Boise Barracks, March 15 to April 14; Fort Sherman, July 1 to July 31; Vancouver Barracks and Fort Walla Walla, April 1 to April 30.

HQRS. U. S. ARTILLERY SCHOOL,

FORT MONROE, VA., March 11, 1892.

G. O. 6:

I. On and after the 15th instant, all Infantry formations and exercises, including manual of arms at dress parade and other Artillery exercises when as armed as Infantry, will take place in accordance with the new Infantry Drill Regulations.

II. In all Artillery formations after the 15th instant, batteries will be formed with an interval of six inches between files. This interval will be taken in the formation of the battery as prescribed in paragraphs 40 and 41, Tidball's Manual, by causing the men to fall in at facing distance (16 inches) from each other and in alignments, when necessary, by placing the hand against the waist.

III. On and after the 15th instant, guard mounting will take place, and batteries will be formed in battalion for marching manoeuvres, dress parades and inspections, in accordance with the principles and commands prescribed in the new Infantry Drill Regulations, but no other changes will be made in the form of dress parade until further orders.

By order of Lieutenant-Colonel Frank:

EDWARD DAVIS, 1st Lieut., 3d Art., Adjt.

STAFF CORPS AND DEPARTMENTS.

Adjutant and Inspector Generals.

Lieut.-Col. George H. Burton, I. G., will proceed to and inspect the post of Benicia Barracks, Cal. (S. O. 26, March 8, D. Cal.)

Judge Advocate General's Department.

Leave for one month is granted Maj. Edward Hunter, J. A. (S. O. 25, March 7, D. Cal.)

Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments.

Capt. Charles A. Booth, Asst. Q. M., will proceed to Ukiah, Cal., to arrange for transportation to accompany a detachment of troops from that place to

the Round Valley Indian Reservation (S. O. 24, March 5, D. Cal.)

Col. Judson D. Bingham, Asst. Q. M. Gen., Chief Q. M., will proceed to Ft. Sheridan, Ill., on public business (S. O. 21, March 9, D. Mo.)

Capt. George E. Pond, Asst. Q. M., will, upon being relieved from duty at Madison Barracks, N. Y., by Capt. Charles B. Thompson, Asst. Q. M., proceed to Plattsburgh, N. Y., and take charge of the construction of public buildings at Plattsburgh Barracks, N. Y. (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

Post Q. M. Sergt. Edward W. Elwell (appointed March 14, 1892, from Recruit General Service), now in this city, will proceed not later than April 1, 1892, to Ft. Clark, Tex., for duty (S. O. March 14, H. Q. A.)

Leave for seven days is granted Maj. William H. Bell, Chief (S. O. Dept. of the Platte, Omaha, Neb. (S. O. 20, March 5, D. Platte.)

Comy Sergt. Richard Anderson (appointed March 14, 1892, from post quartermaster sergeant), now at Ft. Apache, A. T., will proceed to Ft. Marcy, N. M., for duty (S. O. March 14, H. Q. A.)

Pay Department.

The extension of leave granted Maj. Joseph W. Wham, Paymtr., is still further extended 15 days on account of sickness (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

Medical Department.

Leave for four months, from March 22, is granted 1st Lieut. William N. Suter, Asst. Surg. (S. O. March 10, H. Q. A.)

Capt. Leonard Wood, Asst. Surg., is relieved from the duty of examining recruits at the rendezvous in San Francisco, Cal. (S. O. 27, March 10, D. Cal.)

Capt. Walter W. R. Fisher, Asst. Surg., is detailed member of the G. C. M. at Ft. Columbus, N. Y. H. (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

Lieut.-Col. George M. Sternberg, Surg., having reported, is assigned to duty as attending surgeon and examiner of recruits in New York City (S. O. 34, March 17, D. East.)

Engineer and Ordnance Departments.

A Board of Officers of the Corps of Engineers—to consist of Col. George H. Mendell, Maj. Thomas H. Handbury and Capt. Thos. W. Symons—will assemble at Portland, Ore., on the call of the senior member, to consider and report upon the subject of harbor lines for the harbors of Olympia, Vancouver and Bellingham Bay, Wash. (S. O. 16, March 12, C. E.)

Col. James M. Whittemore, O. D., now on leave, is assigned to the command of the U. S. Powder Depot, Dover, N. J.; and Lieut. Col. Joseph P. Farley, O. D., is relieved from the temporary charge of said depot (S. O. March 10, H. Q. A.)

The extension of leave granted Capt. Algernon S. Morgan, Ord. Stkr., is still further extended one month on account of sickness (S. O. March 10, H. Q. A.)

Lieut.-Col. Joseph P. Farley, O. D., will proceed from Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa., to the U. S. Powder Depot, near Dover, N. J., on official business (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

Chaplains.

The leave granted Post Chaplain Winfield Scott is extended six days (S. O. 31, March 2, D. Ariz.)

Post Chaplain William K. Tully, is relieved from duty at Ft. Wingate, N. M., and will, upon the expiration of his present leave, report for duty at that post, relieving Post Chaplain Charles C. Pierce (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

The ordinary leave granted Post Chaplain William K. Tully is changed to leave on surgeon's certificate of disability, to date from March 9, 1892, and is extended on account of sickness to include April 8, 1892 (S. O. March 15, H. Q. A.)

THE LINE.

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel Abraham K. Arnold.

Hdgrs. B. E. G. K. and L. Ft. Custer, Mont.; D. Ft. Keogh, Mont.; I. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C. and F. Ft. Assiniboine, Mont.; H. Fort Buford, A. T.; Ft. Myer, Va.—Indian troop.

The leave granted Capt. Frazier A. Boutelle is extended one month on surgeon's certificate (S. O. March 10, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Jacob G. Galbraith, recruiting officer, Davenport, Iowa, will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, March 16, 22 and 29 (S. O. 58, March 11, R. S.)

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Frederick S. Foltz is extended one month and two days (S. O. March 16, H. Q. A.)

2nd Cavalry, Colonel George G. Hunt.

Hdgrs. C. D. H. and L. Ft. Winona, N. M.; K. San Carlos Ariz.; G. Ft. Stanton, N. M.; B. and I. Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; A. and E. Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

The C. O. Jefferson Bks., Mo., will assign 20 recruits to the 2d Cav., and forward them March 16, under charge of 1st Lieut. Frederick W. Sibley, adjt., to Fort Wingate, N. M. (S. O. 53, March 8, Rec. Ser.)

1st Lieut. Frederick W. Sibley will proceed to Jefferson Bks., Mo., not later than March 15, to conduct from that depot to Fort Wingate, N. M., a detachment of recruits ordered to the 2d Cav. (S. O. 57, March 10, Rec. Ser.)

The leave, on surgeon's certificate, granted 1st Lieut. Francis D. Rucker is extended one month (S. O. March 15, H. Q. A.)

3rd Cavalry, Colonel Albert P. Morrow.

Hdgrs. G. I. and K. Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; F. Ft. Hancock, Tex.; A. C. and D. Ft. Ringold, Tex.; B. Ft. Brown, Tex.; H. Eagle Pass, Tex.; E. Camp Pena Colorado, Tex.; L. Fort Meade, S. D.—Indian troop.

The additional travel performed by 1st Lieut. J. W. Heard in proceeding from San Antonio to San Diego, via Laredo, Tex., to join his troop in the field, is approved (S. O. 25, March 7, D. Tex.)

Capt. Charles Morton having been designated for recruiting duty, will proceed to Milwaukee, Wis., for assignment to duty (S. O. 27, March 10, D. Tex.)

4th Cavalry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton.

Hdgrs. A. D. and H. Ft. Walla Walla, Wash.; C. Ft. Bidwell, Cal.; G. Ft. Sherman, Idaho; E. Vancouver Bks., Wash.

F. Boise Bks., Idaho; B. I. and K. Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; L. Fort Sherman—Indian troop.

The extension of leave granted Major Wm. B. Kennedy is further extended 20 days (S. O. March 10, H. Q. A.)

5th Cavalry, Colonel James F. Wade.

Hdgrs. B. C. E. G. K. and L. Ft. Reno, Okh. T.; D. and H. Ft. Bill, Okh. T.; A. and F. Ft. Supply, Ind. T.; I. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.—Indian troop.

The C. O. Jefferson Bks., Mo., will assign 20 recruits to the 5th Cav., and forward them March 16, under charge of 1st Lieut. Eben Swift, to Fort Supply, I. T. (S. O. 53, March 8, Rec. Ser.)

6th Cavalry, Colonel Eugene A. Carr.

Hdgrs. A. E. F. G. K. and L. Ft. Niobrara, Neb.; C. D. and E. Ft. McKinney, Wyo.; I. Fort Yellowstone, Wyo.; B. Ft. Washakie, Wyo.—Indian troop.

Leave for 20 days, to begin during the present month, is granted Capt. Frank West, Fort Niobrara, Neb. (S. O. 20, March 5, D. Platte.)

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. G. I. and K. Ft. Riley, Kas.; F. H. and L. Ft. Bill, Okh. T.—Indian troop.

1st Lieut. W. A. Holbrook, aide-de-camp, having completed the duty assigned him and having returned to his station, the journey from Laredo to San Antonio, Tex., is approved (S. O. 25, March 7, D. Tex.)

8th Cavalry, Colonel Caleb H. Carlton.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. I. and K. Ft. Meade, S. D.; L. Ft. Keogh, Mont.; F. and G. Ft. Yates, N. D.; H. Ft. Myer, Va.—Indian troop.

One month's ordinary leave is granted 1st Lieut. Farrand Sayre, to take effect on the expiration of the extension of sick leave granted him (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

The leave granted 1st Lieut. De Rosey C. Cabell is extended three months (S. O. March 14, H. Q. A.)

9th Cavalry, Colonel James Biddle.

Hdgrs. A. D. E. F. G. and I. Ft. Robinson, Neb.; B. and H. Ft. Du Chesse, Utah; C. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; K. Fort Myer, Va.

10th Cavalry, Colonel John K. Mitzer.

Hdgrs. A. F. G. and K. Ft. Grant, A. T.; E. and I. Ft. Apache A. T.; B. and H. San Carlos, A. T.; C. and D. Ft. Bayard, N. M.

The leave granted Capt. Thaddeus W. Jones is extended four months (S. O. March 11, H. Q. A.)

1st Artillery, Colonel Loomis L. Langdon.

Hdgrs. A. G. I. and K. Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H.; C. D. and L. Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y. H.; E. Ft. Sheridan, Ill. B. H. and M. Ft. Columbus, N. Y. H.; F. Ft. Monroe, Va.—Light battery.

1st Lieut. John V. White is relieved as J. A. of the G. C. M. at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y. H., during the trial of Pvt. Murphy, and 1st Lieut. Arthur Murray is relieved as a member and detailed as J. A. of the court during the trial of that case (S. O. 31, March 10, D. East.)

Capt. Abner H. Merrill is detailed member of the G. C. M. at Fort Columbus, N. Y. H. (S. O. 31, March 10, D. East.)

2d Lieut. Charles T. Mencher is relieved as J. A. of the G. C. M. at Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., during the trial of Pvt. Orgill, and 1st Lieut. Wm. C. Rafferty is relieved as a member and detailed as J. A. of the court during the trial of that case (S. O. 31, March 10, D. East.)

Leave for five days is granted Capt. John A. Darling (S. O. 32, March 12, D. East.)

1st Lieut. Wm. C. Rafferty is relieved as a member of the G. C. M. at Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., during the trial of Pvt. McMullen, in order that he may act as counsel for the prisoner (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

Leave for one month, on surgeon's certificate, is granted 1st Lieut. Thomas C. Patterson (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

1st Lieut. John Pope, Jr., is relieved as a member of the G. C. M. at Fort Wadsworth, N. Y. H., during the trial of Pvt. McConnathy, Bat. L., that he may act as counsel for the prisoner (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

2nd Artillery, Colonel John Mendenhall.

Hdgrs. C. G. and H. Ft. Adams, R. I.; L. Ft. Trumbull, Conn. E. Ft. Proble, Me.; B. and D. Ft. Warren, Mass.; A. and F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; I. Ft. Monroe, Va.; K. and M. Ft. Schuyler, N. Y.—Light battery.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Medore Crawford is extended 15 days (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

3rd Artillery, Colonel L. R. Livingston.

Hdgrs. A. C. E. H. K. and L. Washington Bks., D. C. D. G. and I. Ft. McHenry, Md.; B. and M. Ft. Monroe, Va.; F. Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.—Light battery.

4th Artillery, Colonel Henry W. Closson.

Hdgrs. C. D. K. L. E. G. and I. Ft. McPherson, Ga.; F. Ft. Riley, Kas.; H. Ft. Monroe, Va.; A. and M. Ft. Barranca, Fla.; B. Ft. Adams, R. I.—Light battery.

1st Lieut. Adelbert Cronkrite is, at his own request, relieved from duty at the Michigan Military Academy, Orchard Lake, Mich., and will join his battery (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

The leave for seven days granted 1st Lieut. C. L. Phillips is extended 23 days (S. O. 33, March 15, D. East.)

1st Infantry, Colonel William R. Shafter.

Hdgrs. A. B. D. G. and H. Angel Island, Cal.; C. and E. Benicia Bks., Cal.; F. Ft. Gaston, Cal.; I. Ft. Bidwell, Cal.—Indian company.

3rd Infantry, Colonel Edwin C. Mason.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Snelling, Minn. I. Ft. Sully, S. D.—Indian company.

Leave for one month is granted 2d Lieut. Henry P. McCain, Fort Snelling, Minn. (S. O. 34, March 9, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. Henry P. McCain (recently promoted from 2d lieut.) is assigned to the 21st Inf., Co. K, to date from Feb. 24, vice Farrow, resigned (S. O. March 11, H. Q. A.)

4th Infantry, Colonel William P. Carlton.

Hdgrs. A. D. F. and H. Ft. Sherman, Idaho; B. E. G. and I. Ft. Spokane, Wash.; C. Boise Barracks, Idaho.—Indian company.

5th Infantry, Colonel Nathan W. Osborne.

Hdgrs. D. and E. St. Francis Bks., Fla.; B. and H. Jackson Bks. La.; C. and G. Mt. Vernon Bks., Ala.; A. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas. F. Ft. Sam Houston, Tex.

1st Lieut. Charles A. Churchill will report in per-

son to Col. La Rhett L. Livingston, 3d Art., president of the Army Retiring Board at Washington Bks., D. C., for examination (S. O. March 16, H. Q. A.)

9th Infantry, Colonel Charles G. Bartlett.

Hdgrs. A. D. F. and G. Madison Bks., N. Y.; B. C. H. and I. Fort Huachuca, A. T.; E. Ft. Wingate, N. M.—Indian company.

Leave for two months is granted 2d Lieut. Wm. G. Elliott (S. O. March 12, H. Q. A.)

We are in receipt this week of a neatly printed Roster of Commissioned officers of the 9th Infantry, corrected to March 12, 1892. And how it brings back the memory of old times. George Wright its colonel from 1855 to 1865; John H. King, then whom no better officer ever drew a sword, colonel from 1865 to 1882; the gallant Van Voast, from 1882 to 1883; John S. Mason, none better, from 1883 to 1888; Alfred L. Hough, able and learned, from 1888 to 1890, and its present colonel, Charles G. Bartlett, who fully lives up to the record of his predecessors.

10th Infantry, Colonel Edward P. Pearson.

Hdgrs. A. and B. Ft. Marcy, N. M.; A. and F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; C. San Diego Bks., Cal.; H. and I. Ft. Wingate, N. M.; G. Ft. Reno, O. T.

11th Infantry, Colonel Isaac D. DeRussy.

Hdgrs. F. and H. Ft. Huachuca, A. T.; A. and D. Madison Bks., N. Y.; B. and G. Fort Apache, A. T.; C. and E. Ft. Niagara, N. Y.

12th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdgrs. E. and G. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A. F. and H. Ft. Yates, N. D.; B. C. and D. Ft. Sully, S. D.; I. Ft. Me. Vernon Bks., Ala.—Indian company.

1st Lieut. Wallis O. Clark will proceed to Davids Island, N. Y. H., for duty at that depot (S. O. 59, March 12, Rec. Ser.)

1st Lieut. Wallis O. Clark is detailed as J. A. of the G. C. M. convened at Davids Island, N. Y. H. (S. O. March 15, H. Q. A.)

Musician J. M. Morsee, Co. G, has invented a second field oven for use of troops in the field. It is a cooking attachment for Sibley stoves, and an improvement on coffee roaster.

13th Infantry, Colonel Montgomery Bryant.

Hdgrs. B. E. and H. Ft. Supply, I. T.; A. C. and D. Ft. Bill, Okh. T.; F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; G. and I. Fort Supply, I. T.—Indian company.

The C. O. Davids Island, N. Y. H., will assign 25 recruits to the 13th Inf., and forward them March 22, under charge of Capt. John S. Bishop, to Fort Supply, I. T. (S. O. 55, March 8, Rec. Ser.)

16th Infantry, Colonel Matthew M. Blunt.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. F. G. H. and I. Ft. Douglas, Utah—Indian company.

17th Infantry, Colonel John S. Poland.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. D. A. Russell, Wyo.

1st Lieut. George H. Roach, R. Q. M., Post Q. M., Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., will report in person at Dept. of Platte Hdgrs., on public business (S. O. 22, March 8, D. Platte.)

18th Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Laselle.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Clark, Tex.; K. Fort Ringold, Tex.

2d Lieut. W. F. Grote will proceed to Camp Pena Colorado, Texas, for garrison court-martial duty (S. O. 26, March 8, D. Tex.)

Leave for six months, with permission to apply for an extension of two months, is granted Capt. Robert F. Bates (S. O. March 16, H. Q. A.)

20th Infantry, Colonel Elwell S. Otis.

Hdgrs. A. B. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Assiniboine, Mont. C. and I. Camp Poplar River, Mont.—Indian company.

2d Lieut. Walter L. Taylor will proceed to Fort Assiniboine, Mont. (S. O. 34, March 9, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. Rowland G. Hill is relieved from duty as judge advocate of the G. C. M. convened at Davids Island, N. Y. H. (S. O. March 15, H. Q. A.)

21st Infantry, Colonel Horace Jewett.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. and E. Ft. Sidney, Neb.; D. Ft. Du Chesse, Utah; F. G. H. and I. Ft. Randall, S. D.—Indian company.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. Solomon E. Sparrow is extended 20 days (S. O. 20, March 5, D. Platte.)

2d Lieut. James W. McAndrew will report at Columbus Bks., Ohio, on March 15, to conduct recruits for the 21st Inf. to the Dept. of the Platte (S. O. 21, March 7, D. Platte.)

The C. O. Columbus Bks., O., will assign 40 recruits to the 21st Inf., and forward them March 17, under charge of 2d Lieut. James W. McAndrew, en route to the points hereinafter indicated, as follows: to Fort Randall, S. D., via Omaha and O'Neill, Neb., where wagon transportation will meet them; to Fort Sidney, Neb. (S. O. 55, March 8, Rec. Ser.)

22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter T. Soutne.

Hdgrs. A. B. C. D. E. F. G. and H. Ft. Keogh, Mont.; I. Ft. Yates, N. D.—Indian company.

Capt. Wm. H. Kell, recruiting officer, Portsmouth, N. H., will visit the temporary branch rendezvous at Rochester, N. H., March 11, 19 and 30 (S. O. 56, March 9, Rec. Ser.)

In Orders 10, Lieut.-Col. Page, commanding regiment, announces with profound sorrow to the regiment the death, from typhoid fever, of 2d Lieut. Wm. E. Bruce, 22d Inf., which took place at Fort Keogh, Mont., at 11 P. M., Feb. 27.

24th Infantry, Colonel Zenas R. Bliss.

Hdgrs. A. D. E. and F. Ft. Bayard, N. M.; B. Ft. Thomas A. T.; C. Ft. Bowie, A. T.; G. and H. San Carlos, Ariz.

Capt. John L. Bullis will proceed from Fort Bayard, N. M., to Tucson, A. T., on public business (S. O. 31, March 2, D. Ariz.)

25th Infantry, Colonel George L. Andrews.

Hdgrs. F. G. and H. Ft. Missoula, Mont.; A. and D. Ft. Custer, Mont.; B. C. and E. Ft. Buford.

(For Late Army Orders see page 523.)

Appointments, etc., of Commissioned Officers and Retired Enlisted Men, U. S. A., recorded in the A.-G. O. during the week ending March 12, 1892.

PROMOTIONS AND ASSIGNMENTS.

Major John W. Clous, judge advocate, to be deputy judge advocate general, with the rank of lieutenant colonel, February 12, 1892, vice Curtis, deceased.

3d Lieutenant Henry P. McCain, 3d Infantry, to be 1st lieutenant of infantry, February 24, 1892, vice Farrow, 21st Infantry, resigned—to the 21st Infantry.

RETIREMENTS.

By operation of law, section 1, act of June 30, 1882.
Colonel East Norris, surgeon, March 9, 1892.
Colonel George Bell, assistant commissary general of subsistence, March 12, 1892.

Courts-martial.

The following courts have been ordered:

At Fort McIntosh, March 11. Detail: Maj. L. T. Morris, 3d Cav.; Capt. O. W. Pollock, 23d Inf.; Capt. George McGreevy, asst.-surg.; 1st Lieut. Stephen O'Connor, 23d Inf.; 1st Lieut. T. B. Dugan, 23d Inf.; 1st Lieut. H. T. Ferguson and Hugh S. Wain, 23d Inf.; and 1st Lieut. E. P. Pendleton, 23d Inf.; J. A. (S. O. 26, March 8, D. Tex.).
At the Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., March 14. Detail: Major Abram C. Wildrick, 5th Art.; Capt. Charles Morris, 5th Art.; Abram E. Wood, 4th Cav.; James Parker, 4th Cav.; 1st Lieut. Edward T. Brown, 5th Art.; 2nd Lieut. James E. Nolan, 4th Cav.; John D. Miley, Edmund M. Blake, Wilmet E. Ellis, 5th Art.; and 1st Lieut. John McClellan, 5th Art.; J. A. (S. O. 27, March 10, D. Cal.).

Army Boards.

A Board of Officers, to consist of Capt. Jacob A. Augur, 5th Cav.; 1st Lieut. James B. Goe, adjt., 13th Inf.; and 2d Lieut. Wm. E. Bidole, Jr., 13th Inf., will assemble at Fort Supply, I. T., Monday, May 2, to examine 1st Serjt. Roderick Rehm, Co. H, 13th Inf., an applicant for the position of ordnance sergeant, U. S. A. (S. O. 21, March 9, D. Mo.).

Military Academy.

Leave, on surgeon's certificate, is granted Cadet Joseph F. Durkin, 4th Class, until Aug. 25, 1892, at which time he shall be examined by a board of medical officers to determine whether he is physically qualified to continue as a cadet (S. O. 10, March 14, H. Q. A.).

The following officers will be relieved from duty at the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., on the dates set opposite their respective names: Capt. James S. Pettit, 1st Inf., Aug. 13; 1st Lieut. John A. Lundeen, 4th Art., Aug. 13; John D. C. Hoskins, 3d Art., Aug. 31; Harry F. Hodges, C. E., Aug. 13; Frank L. Dodds, 9th Inf., Aug. 13; Warren P. Newcomb, 5th Art., Aug. 13; Samuel D. Freeman, 10th Cav., Aug. 13; Benjamin Alwood, 20th Inf., Aug. 13; John B. Bellinger, 5th Cav., Aug. 23; Lieut. Hodges will report by letter to the Chief of Regts. The regimental officers will join their respective regiments. The travel enjoined is necessary for the public service (S. O. 10, March 14, H. Q. A.).

The following officers will report to the superintendent of the U. S. M. A., West Point, N. Y., on the dates set opposite their respective names, for duty at the academy: 1st Lieut. Alexander B. Dyer, 4th Art., Aug. 31; Samuel E. Allen, 5th Art., Aug. 20; Henry C. Newcomer, C. E., Aug. 20; James A. Cole, 6th Cav., Aug. 20; Cornelius De W. Wilcox, 2d Art., Aug. 20; Willard A. Holbrook, 7th Cav., Aug. 20; 2d Lieut. John D. Barrette, 3d Art., Aug. 20; William S. Bidole, Jr., 13th Inf., Aug. 20; Lucien G. Berry, 4th Art., Aug. 20 (S. O. 14, H. Q. A.).

Leave, on surgeon's certificate, is granted Cadet Charles M. Chapman, 4th Class, until June 15, 1892 (S. O., March 15, H. Q. A.).

Transfers.

The following transfers of officers of the infantry arm are ordered:

1st Lieut. Almon L. Parmerter, from the 14th to the 21st Inf., Co. K.
1st Lieut. Henry P. McCain, from the 21st to the 14th Inf., Co. C (S. O., March 11, H. Q. A.).

College Duty.

1st Lt. Louis H. Orieman, retired, is, at his own request, relieved from duty at the Peckskill Military Academy, Peckskill, N. Y., to take effect June 30, 1892 (S. O., March 12, H. Q. A.).

Officers Retired.

The retirement from active service, March 12, of Col. George Bell, A. C. G. S., is announced. Col. Bell will repair to his home (S. O., March 12, H. Q. A.).

Retirements of Enlisted Men.

The following enlisted men, now at the stations designated after their respective names, are, upon their own application, placed upon the retired list and will repair to their homes: Pvt. Henry Bomm, Bat. F, 5th Art., Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; Serjt. Geo. A. Gilson, Ord. Detachment, Frankford Arsenal, Pa.; Corp. Thomas O'Connell, Co. G, 22d Inf., Fort Knott, Ky.; 1st Serjt. John M. Ryan, Co. H, 10th Inf., Fort Wingate, N. M.; and Pvt. Henry Schumaker, Co. C, 4th Inf., Boise Bks., Idaho (S. O., March 11, H. Q. A.).

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

Dept. of Texas.—Brig. Gen. D. S. Stanley.

The cemetery at Fort Davis has been abandoned, and the remains transferred to the national cemetery at San Antonio.

Quartermasters Property.—Upon the question whether or not the inventory directed in A. R. 1108, of 1891, as amended by G. O. & A. G. O., covers clothing and camp equipage, the Acting Secretary of War concurs in the opinion of the Quartermaster-General that the term "Quartermaster's Property" as used in G. O. No. 8, covers all classes of quartermaster's stores, including clothing, camp and garrison equipage.

Inspection of Medical Property.—Articles of medical or hospital property unsuitable for service shall, before being submitted to an inspector for condemnation, be inspected by the medical director or by a medical officer designated by the Secretary of War, who will report to the Surgeon-General his recommendation as to their continuance in service, their shipment, their sale or their inspection by the authorized inspector with a view to condemnation.—(A. G. O. letter of March 4, 1892, to Department Commanders.)

GOVERNOR'S ISLAND.

The Harbor Sentinel in its issue of March 12, referring to the birth of a son to Lieut. Treat, A. D. C., poetically says: "The breeze softly whispered that an angel had visited the island in the night and left a tiny soul in the arms of Mrs. Treat. Congratulations are pouring in upon the happy parents from a circle of friends as wide as their popularity." Among other items we note that Dr. W. Haskin visited Governor's Island recently. Miss M. Goodwin is absent on a visit to Washington, D. C. Miss F. Small returned March 8 from a short visit at Fort Leavenworth.

Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Fisher recently arrived at Governor's Island and have occupied quarters in Fort Columbus.

The "Atlantics" is the name of the baseball club which covered itself with glory at this post last year. They will shortly reorganize under the old name with some new players.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

COMMANDER CHARLES A. SCHETKY, U. S. N., is residing at Haddonfield, N. J.

REAR ADMIRAL JOHN C. FEBIGER, U. S. N., is living in retirement at Easton, Md.

CAPTAIN R. W. MEADE, U. S. N., registered at the Gilsey House, New York City, on Tuesday.

MANY of the officers' wives belonging to the Pensacola sailed for the coast March 1 by the *Australia*.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER FRANCIS O. DAVENPORT, U. S. N., is residing for the present at Detroit, Mich.

REAR ADMIRAL DONALD MCN. FAIRFAX, U. S. Navy, retired, is spending the winter at Hagerstown, Md.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR P. J. HORWITZ, U. S. N., makes his permanent residence at 1,919 Walnut street, Philadelphia.

MRS. BALDWIN, widow of Rear Admiral Baldwin, U. S. N., and two children of her son-in-law, Mr. Deacon, are at Genoa.

REAR ADMIRAL R. W. SHUFELDT, U. S. Navy, has been passing the winter in Florida, but without much benefit to his health.

NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR JOHN W. EASBY, U. S. N., ex-Chief of Bureau, now on the retired list, resides at 2027 G street, Washington, D. C.

REAR ADMIRAL BROWN has been the recipient of marked attention since his arrival at Honolulu, and anticipates a stop of several months in the Hawaiian Islands.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER FRED. SINGER, U. S. N., has been invalided home from the U. S. S. *Pensacola*, leaving Lieut. W. H. Beehler as executive of that ship.

The present address of P. A. Engr. Ira N. Hollis, U. S. N., is 304 West 34th street, New York City, and of P. A. Engr. Geo. R. Salisbury, U. S. N., Bath Beach, New York.

P. A. ENGINEER W. M. MCFARLAND, U. S. N., is still suffering somewhat from his eyes, but the inflammation is gradually going down, and the prospect is good for a speedy recovery.

On the recent voyage of the *San Francisco* to Honolulu, Rear Admiral Brown was accompanied by his son, who goes to Hawaii for his health. Mrs. Brown joined her husband at Honolulu.

NAVAL CADETS GARTLEY, Williams, Snow, and Treadwell have been transferred from the *San Francisco* to the *Pensacola* for passage to the U. S. in time for the June examinations at Annapolis.

SHORTLY after the arrival of the *San Francisco* at Honolulu, Chief Engr. E. Laws, U. S. N., accompanied by Mrs. Laws, made a pleasant trip to the island of Maui, where Mr. Laws has a nephew in business at Paia.

THE anchor invented by Lieut. Herbert O. Dunn, U. S. N., has been fully tested on the *Baltimore* and the reports from it are highly favorable. It is of the self-stowing type, and is a distinct advance on preceding anchors of this type.

CAPTAIN H. C. COCHRANE, U. S. M. U., at the Mare Island Barracks, has brought the efficiency of the marines at that post to the highest pitch attained for years, and the efforts to improve the rifle practice of the battalion have been crowned with great success.

P. A. ENGINEER IRA N. HOLLIS, U. S. N., recently detached from the *Charleston* at Mare Island, has come East on a leave of absence, following a full sea cruise. He will probably receive an assignment to duty in the Navy Department on the expiration of his leave.

COMMODORE A. W. WEAVER, U. S. N., from the Norfolk Navy-yard, is again in Washington looking after private interests at the Capital. The commodore expresses much satisfaction at the decision of Secretary Tracy to complete the *Raleigh* for sea at the Norfolk yard.

At the meeting of the Asiatic Society of Japan, held at Yokohama Feb. 10, it was announced that Dr. F. B. Stephenson, of the U. S. S. *Marion*, had joined the society. Prof. Dixon read a paper establishing a parallel between the English poet Wordsworth and a Japanese poet of the Twelfth Century.

MR. EDWARD PARKER DEACON, who was under arrest at Grasse for shooting and killing M. Abeille, in the Hotel Splendide, has been released on 10,000 francs bail. Mr. Chas. A. Baldwin, the brother of Mrs. Deacon, sailed for France on *La Champagne* Saturday, March 12, where he will join his stepmother, Mrs. Chas. H. Baldwin, and his aunt, Mrs. H. M. Brookes, who sailed for the Continent several months ago. Mr. Baldwin, who owns a ranch in California, where he has been accustomed for several years past to spend the winter months, was in a remote part of the State when the tragedy in Cannes was enacted. He was beyond the reach of the telegraph or even the mail agents. Upon learning of it, however, through his lawyers and bankers on the Pacific coast he hastened to New York at once.

FROM Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, comes a report that Chaplain F. B. Rose, of the U. S. training-ship *Monongahela*, has a difference with his commanding officer, Comdr. J. H. Sands. The chaplain is a Baptist; the commander a Catholic. The chaplain thinks he is entitled to control the religious exercises on the ship board, and he objects to having the Catholic apprentices taken ashore to attend worship in a Catholic chapel, and to the separation of those who object to attending service on board ship from those who do not, and to inviting the Catholic chaplain of the U. S. S. *Philadelphia* to hear confessions and conduct services on board the *Monongahela*. Chaplain Rose contends that the naval apprentices are the wards of the Government during their minority; that the rules and regulations for the training of apprentices require their attendance at the worship of Almighty God irrespective of creed, and that as he teaches and preaches Christianity pure

and simple, unadorned by the garb of any sect, he has a perfect right to compel the attendance at divine service of every apprentice, be he Protestant, Catholic or heathen.

COMMANDER JOHN SCHOUER, U. S. Navy, visited New York City on Wednesday, making his headquarters at the St. James Hotel.

COMMANDER E. T. WOODWARD, U. S. N., registered at the Gilsey House, and Paymaster Greene Clay Goodloe, U. S. M. C., at the Grand Hotel, New York, on Tuesday of this week.

NAVAL CADET JOHN RUFUS EDIE, U. S. N., serving on the U. S. S. *Baltimore*, is a son of the gallant Major John R. Edie, U. S. A. Cadet Edie's mother and sister reside in Washington, D. C.

THE examination of P. A. Engr. R. D. Taylor, U. S. N., for promotion, has been delayed since the second of the present month by his detail as a witness before the Court of Inquiry in the case of Comdr. R. D. Graham, U. S. N.

A CHANGE is about to be made in the engineer officer on duty with the Fish Commission. P. A. Engr. W. B. Bayley, U. S. N., going to the *Ranger*, Asst. Engr. F. C. Bowers, U. S. N., of the *Fish Hawk*, will probably be appointed as his relief.

At the seventh annual convention of the National League of Musicians, in the U. S., held in N. Y. City this week, a vigorous protest was made by telegraph to the Secretary of the Navy against the competition of the Marine Band and other Government bands with private musicians, a topic which has engaged the attention of the convention for several years.

A CANE made from one of the limbs of the old U. S. S. *Mississippi* is a new and highly prized addition to Commodore Dewey's collection of war relics. It was presented to him by Rear Admiral Melancton Smith, who commanded the *Mississippi* at the time she went down under fire off New Orleans. Commodore Dewey was her 1st lieutenant at the time. Rear Admiral Smith, although in his 83d year, is still strong in health, mentally and physically, barring his eye sight, which has been somewhat impaired of late.

In his testimony before the Naval Court of Inquiry, Comdr. James D. Graham testified that he spoke in uncomplimentary terms of the late admiral, as it was by Porter's orders that he and the *Alliance* (the ship Graham commanded at the time) were prevented from joining the vessels that went to the Arctic waters to search for the survivors of the *Jeannette*. He denied borrowing money from the equipment yeoman and showed that the account seen by Prentiss was one relative to supplies purchased for the commander's private use by the yeoman with money furnished by the commander.

LIEUTENANT J. S. OYSTER, 1st U. S. Art., and bride have arrived at Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. H.

CAPTAIN H. W. WESSLELS, Jr., 3d U. S. Cavalry, is North from Texas, on a few weeks' leave.

MAJOR W. H. NASH, U. S. A., was married at Vancouver Barracks, Feb. 22, to Mrs. M. M. Wilson.

LIEUTENANT EBEN SWIFT, 5th U. S. Cav., left St. Louis this week for Ft. Supply, Indian Territory.

CAPTAIN JOHN L. BULLIS, 24th U. S. Inf., of Fort Bayard, N. M., is a recent visitor to Tucson, Ariz.

CAPTAIN CHARLES HOLMES, U. S. A., is located for the winter at the Everett Hotel, Jacksonville, Fla.

MAJOR W. F. TUCKER, U. S. A., and Mrs. Tucker arrived in London, March 12, en route to the Riviera.

ADJUTANT S. E. SPARROW, 21st U. S. Infantry, is absent from Fort Sidney, Neb., on a few weeks' leave.

MAJOR EDWARD HUNTER, Judge Advocate, U. S. Army, has left San Francisco for the East on a few weeks' leave.

CAPTAIN W. H. MILLER, U. S. A., now on leave of absence, is expected to return to West Point about the end of March.

LIEUTENANT FARRAND SAYRE, 8th U. S. Cav., East on leave from Fort Meade, will prolong his stay for a few weeks longer.

CHAPLAIN W. K. TULLY, U. S. A., at present at Meigs, Pa., will on the expiration of his leave go to Fort Leavenworth, Kas.

CAPTAIN PHILIP READE, 8d U. S. Inf., whose health has not been good of late, has had his sick leave extended two months.

CAPTAIN JOHN S. BISHOP, 13th U. S. Inf., leaves New York early next week for Ft. Supply, I. T., in charge of recruits for that regiment.

LIEUTENANT MEDOREM CRAWFORD, Jr., 2d U. S. Art., lately visiting in Washington, D. C., will return to Ft. Adams, R. I., next week.

LIEUTENANT HENRY KIRBY, 10th U. S. Inf., and bride are recent visitors at Old Point Comfort. Their destination is Ft. Marcy, N. M.

CAPTAIN W. E. DOUGHERTY, 1st U. S. Inf., has arrived with his company at the Round Indian Valley Reservation, Cal., for special service.

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT, U. S. A., registered at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City, on Saturday last, on his return journey to St. Paul.

CAPTAIN A. S. M. MORGAN, Military Storekeeper, U. S. A., on leave from Allegheny Arsenal, Pa., has had his sick leave extended for a few weeks.

GENERAL WAGER SWAYNE, U. S. A., made an eloquent address in New York City on Monday evening at the annual dinner of the Ohio Society.

CAPTAIN W. C. BORDEN, assistant surgeon, U. S. Army, was expected to return to Jackson Barracks, La., this week, from a trip to Washington, D. C.

MRS. RUGGLES, wife of Gen. Geo. D. Ruggles, U. S. Army, is on a few weeks' visit to her son, Lieut. Golden L. H. Ruggles, 8d U. S. Art., at Ft. Monroe, Virginia.

LIEUTENANT W. L. TAYLOR, 20th U. S. Inf., has rejoined at Ft. Assiniboine from leave.

LIEUTENANT J. G. GALBRAITH, 1st U. S. Cav., was a visitor to Cedar Rapids, Ia., this week.

LIEUTENANT J. H. GUSTIN, 14th U. S. Inf., on leave from Vancouver Barracks, is at Blanchester, O.

PROFESSOR GEORGE L. ANDREWS, U. S. A., will return to West Point next week from a short leave.

MAJOR JOHN A. DARLING, U. S. A., left Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., lately in the week on a short leave.

GENERAL W. H. BELL, U. S. Army, returned to Omaha early in the week, from a short leave of absence.

CHAPLAIN WINFIELD SCOTT, U. S. A., has rejoined at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., from a fortnight's vacation.

LIEUTENANT J. W. MCANDREW, 21st U. S. Infantry, of Fort Sidney, Neb., visited in Columbus, O., this week.

LIEUTENANT P. G. WALES, assistant surgeon, U. S. Army, has changed base from Fort Apache to Fort Bowie, Ariz.

CAPTAIN A. MCU. GUARD, 19th U. S. Inf., has returned to Fort Mackenzie, from a trip to Fort Brady, Mich.

LIEUTENANT H. E. WILKINS, 2d U. S. Inf., returned to Fort Omaha, Neb., this week, from a fortnight's leave.

CAPTAIN J. H. SMITH, 19th U. S. Infantry, returned to Fort Wayne, Mich., this week, from a trip to Fort Brady, Mich.

CAPTAIN C. R. BARNETT, U. S. A., and Mrs. Barnett returned to Governor's Island, N. Y., this week, from a trip to the South.

ASSISTANT SURGEON W. N. SUTER, U. S. A., will leave Fort Bowie, Ariz., next week for the East, to spend until July next on leave.

COLONEL A. A. WOODHULL, U. S. A., surgeon, has arrived at Hot Springs, Ark., and taken charge of the Army and Navy General Hospital.

THE President and nearly all the members of his Cabinet will attend the ceremonies at the Grant Monument in New York City April 27 next.

LIEUTENANT ANDREW HERO, Jr., 4th U. S. Art., of Fort McPherson, Ga., has gone to New Orleans to look up likely Louisianians for the artillery arm of the Service.

LIEUTENANT ADELBERT CRONKHITE, 4th U. S. Art., has given up his college detail at Orchard Lake, Mich., and will shortly join Strong's battery at Fort McPherson, Ga.

SALUTES were fired in honor of Secretary Foster from Forts Columbus, Hamilton and Wadsworth, on his return this week to the United States from his trip to England.

ASSISTANT SURGEON J. D. POINDEXTER, U. S. A., attained a captaincy in the Medical Department on Friday of last week. He is at present stationed at Fort Niobrara.

LIEUTENANT W. G. ELLIOT, 9th U. S. Inf., lately relieved from duty in Arizona, will spend seven or eight weeks on leave before joining his company at Sackett's Harbor.

MAJOR GENERAL O. O. HOWARD, U. S. A., and party were expected to return to Governor's Island the latter part of this week, from their trip to Texas and Mexico.

LIEUTENANT THOMAS C. PATTERSON, 1st U. S. Artillery, who has been suffering from the grip, has left Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., for a few weeks for the benefit of his health.

CAPTAIN CHAS. MORTON, 3d U. S. Cav., at present on duty with his troop in the field near Fort Ringgold, has been selected for recruiting duty until October, 1894, and goes to Milwaukee, Wis.

MAJOR WALLACE F. RANDOLPH, U. S. A., Inspector of Artillery, on the staff of Major-General Howard, paid a short visit to Washington, D. C., this week, and afterwards left for the South.

LIEUTENANT E. S. CURTIS, 2d U. S. Art., has taken charge of quartermaster and subsistence matters at Fort Preble, Me., in succession to Lieut. Hinds, who goes to Fort Riley for light battery duty.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL GEORGE M. STERNBERG, surgeon, U. S. A., arrived in New York City this week from the Pacific Coast, and entered upon duty as attending surgeon, with office in the Army Building.

THE fourth annual reunion of West Point graduates was held at the Wellington Hotel, Chicago, on the evening of Wednesday, March 16, the day being the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Military Academy.

THE San Antonio Express, referring to Major General Howard's recent visit to Texas, says: "His trip has been a perfect ovation on both sides of the Rio Grande; the Mexican people vied with the Americans in showing him every honor."

A HANDSOME and chaste tablet has been erected in the post chapel at Fort Leavenworth to the memory of Lieut. S. A. Cherry, 5th Cav., whose death occurred May 11, 1881. He was killed while in command of a detachment pursuing horse thieves and deserters.

LIEUTENANT W. A. HOLBROOK, 7th U. S. Cavalry, aide-de-camp to Gen. Stanley, whose detail in that position will expire in June next, by the retirement of his present chief, will then, after a few weeks' interim, go to West Point for duty at the Military Academy.

CHAPLAIN WM. K. TULLY, of Fort Wingate, who has been sick with la grippe at Media, Pa., is reported as no better. The chaplain is ordered to Fort Leavenworth on the expiration of his "leave of absence." We congratulate both the post and the chaplain on their contemplated union.

LIEUTENANT WALLIS O. CLARK, 12th U. S. Inf., is a recent arrival at David's Island, N. Y. H.

LIEUTENANT JAMES HAMILTON, 3d U. S. Art., left Washington, D. C., this week, on a short leave.

QUARTERMASTER Z. W. TORREY, 6th U. S. Inf., left Fort Thomas, Ky., on Tuesday of this week, on a short leave.

MAJOR GENERAL D. E. SICKLES, U. S. A., and Senator David B. Hill, of New York, were in Atlanta, Ga., this week.

CAPTAIN MORRIS C. FOOTE, 9th U. S. Inf., was a visitor to Utica, N. Y., this week, on regimental recruiting service.

LIEUTENANT C. L. PHILLIPS, 4th U. S. Art., of Fort Barrados, arrived at Old Point Comfort this week, to spend a few weeks' leave.

LIEUTENANT F. D. RUCKER, 2d U. S. Cav., visiting in Washington, D. C., for some time past, has had his sick leave extended one month.

GENERAL GERONIMO TREVINO, says a San Antonio despatch, is not a candidate for the Presidency of Mexico, but is a warm friend and supporter of President Diaz.

SERGEANT E. A. MACKLIN, Battery A, 5th Art., son of Capt. J. E. Macklin, 11th U. S. Inf., was examined last week at San Francisco, for promotion to 2d lieutenant.

COLONEL JAMES M. WHITTEMORE, Ordnance Department, U. S. A., lately on leave at New Haven, Conn., will shortly take command of the Powder Depot at Dover, N. J.

UNDER orders of this week, Major W. M. Wherry, 21st U. S. Inf., will shortly relinquish command of Newport Barracks, Ky., to take command of that extremely pleasant post, Fort Porter, Buffalo, New York.

LIEUTENANT I. N. LEWIS, 2d U. S. Art., is a severe loser by a fire which occurred at Fort Wadsworth, Staten Island, his Range Finder, a valuable invention, and lately experimented with, being totally destroyed.

A DESPATCH from Dayton, Ohio, says: "Capt. Walter Crook, aged sixty-eight, ex-State Senator, and brother of the late Gen. George Crook, U. S. A., was stricken with paralysis at his home at Tadmor March 12 and is in a critical condition."

MAJOR-GENERAL NELSON A. MILES, U. S. A., and Mrs. Miles, visited St. Augustine, Fla., last week, and were accorded a most hearty welcome. Capt. T. M. Woodruff, 5th U. S. Infantry, and Mrs. Woodruff, gave a reception at St. Francis Barracks in their honor. Capt. Woodruff was A. B. C. to Gen. Miles from August, 1889, to March, 1891.

THE Kansas City Times suggests that on his return from Germany, Lieut. Powhatan H. Clarke, 10th U. S. Cavalry, be assigned to duty at the Infantry and Cavalry School so that the information gathered by him may be disseminated among a large number of officers of his branch of the service.

MARQUIS AND MARQUISE DE CHEISEUL, of Paris, nee Miss Claire Coudert, who were married in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City, a year ago, may come to this country to attend the wedding of Miss Marie Clarisse Coudert, cousin of the Marquise, and Lieut. J. B. Bellinger, 5th U. S. Cavalry, which is to take place soon after Easter.

THE National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will hold its annual convention in New York City, April 30. A number of important subjects will then come up for discussion. Among others the advisability of consolidating with the New York Society of the Sons of the Revolution, a State organization of which Mr. Chauncey M. Depew is president.

COLONEL J. J. COPPINGER, 23d U. S. Infantry, in acting upon the application of Ord.-Sergt. James H. Oohiltree, U. S. A., for retirement (he has since been retired), said: "I shall part from Sergt. Oohiltree with regret. I have known him for years and respect him as a man and a soldier. I recommend him to the department as deserving of high consideration for long and faithful services and exemplary character."

CAPTAIN H. S. FOSTER, 20th U. S. Infantry, on college duty at Burlington, Vt., was presented last week with an insignia of the Order of the Loyal Legion by the members of the Burlington Committee, who were associated with him in the work of organizing the Vermont Commandery. This token of esteem from his companions, says the Free Press, evidently took Capt. Foster by surprise, but he soon rallied, and replied to the pleasant presentation with much feeling. This badge of honor has been most worthily bestowed upon a gentleman noted for his love for the old flag, and an earnest worker in the cause of the soldier and his family.

CAPTAIN CHARLES F. ROE, of Troop A, N. G. S. N. Y., formerly of the 2d U. S. Cavalry, who was with Gen. Terry's column at the time of the Custer fight, gave an interesting talk on "The Custer Relief Column and Battle of June 25, 1876," at the United Service Club, 16 West 31st street, New York City, on Saturday evening last. Among those present were Gen. Ripley, A. J. Post, McKibbin, the Rev. Dr. Henry Y. Satterlee, Col. Barnard, Major Barton, Col. Lockwood, Major Bonford, Capt. Pease, Lieut. Farragut, Gen. Carleton, Lieut. Calhoun, Lieut. Nickels, Capt. Perrenoud, Col. Truesdell, Capt. Shimmel and Capt. Smith.

THE Fort Walla Walla Eye Glass of Feb. 22 has the following: "A correspondent of the Kansas City Times writes in anger that the Eye Glass and other rare exotics of post journalism do not suit his taste. We are sorry for his bad taste, and shall continue to offend it. The fact that Bill Smith stubs his toe may be of no interest to the world at large, but it affects Bill, and he wants it known in his own community, where sympathizing friends like to hear of his recovery. If this explanation is not satisfactory, we are willing to meet this correspondent—Marquis of Queensberry rules—at 35 pounds. As a matter of etiquette, we shall send a marked copy of this to the Kansas City Times, with request to exchange."

QUARTERMASTER GEO. H. ROACH, 17th U. S. Infantry, has returned to Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., from a trip to Omaha.

CAPTAIN L. O. PARKER, 1st U. S. Infantry, has succeeded Capt. Horace Nelde, 4th U. S. Inf., as recruiting officer in San Francisco.

OWING to pressure of official business, the President and Secretary of War Elkins were compelled to decline the invitation of the Hibernian Society, of Philadelphia, to attend its annual banquet March 17.

A ST. AUGUSTINE despatch says: Mrs. Chatfield's sailing party Saturday afternoon was an unusually gay affair, attended by about thirty of the jolliest society people here. The equestrian tournament was one of the events of the season. In one of the contests Capt. D'Acath of the British Army and Lieut. Keech of the 5th U. S. Infantry were the strongest competitors, and there was a whirlwind of applause when the American soldier came out of the contest victorious.

THE Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle, referring to the recent marriage of John Calhoun Simmonds to Miss Elizabeth Mary Orr Branch, says: "Both Miss Branch and Mr. Simmonds are well known all over the country, and Miss Branch was the belle of West Point-on-the Hudson last season. She is very young, not yet out of her teens. She is the oldest daughter of Maj. and Mrs. Thos. Plumer Branch and the grand-daughter of the celebrated Presbyterian divine, Dr. Robert Irvine."

REFERRING to the expected arrival in New York this week from abroad of Kicking Bear and other Indian prisoners who were loaned to Buffalo Bill for exhibition purposes, the New York Herald says: "Kicking Bear has promised himself a lively time on the way from New York to Fort Sheridan. He has \$500 in his inside belt and he has written to his friends on this side of the water that he intends to spend every cent in 'fire water' the moment his engagement as a star comes to an end." But, it may be said, the War Department took early in the week all necessary precautions to get the distinguished arrivals safe to Fort Sheridan.

A NEW HAVEN (Conn.) despatch says: "The military spirit is growing at Yale. The interest shown results from the efforts made by Lieut. C. A. L. Totten, U. S. Army, during the three years in which he has been detailed as military instructor at the Scientific School. In June there will be a competitive drill and an inspection by Col. Hughes, Inspector General U. S. Army. Lieut. Totten is very much pleased with the interest shown and the progress made. 'As a result of last year's work,' Lieut. Totten says, 'J. S. Murdock, '90 S., is now Second Lieutenant in the 25th Infantry, and three graduates of '91 have their names recorded in the War Department and with the adjutant general of their respective States. In several States brevet National Guard commissions are being given to the graduates, and it is the testimony of many adjutant generals that such graduates make the best officers and serve to raise the standard of the whole body.'"

A CORRESPONDENT says: "If a bridal day, rich with sunshine and a profusion of flowers, is prophetic of lasting happiness, Lieut. De Rosey C. Cabell, 8th Cav., and bride (nee Miss Mattie Otis) have before them a life of enviable bliss. The wedding took place at the residence of the bride's father, Col. Elmer Otis, A. S. A., retired, San Diego, Cal., Monday, March 7. It being the season of Lent, the affair was a very quiet one, none but the immediate relatives being present. Reverend Father Ubach, of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, officiated, first addressing a few appropriate and touching remarks to the happy pair. After partaking of a dainty luncheon, all repaired again to the parlors, and when all the adieus were spoken, Mr. and Mrs. Cabell drove away, showered with rice, roses, the inevitable old slipper, and the best wishes of all assembled. They will spend their honeymoon travelling through the State, and after a brief stay with the bride's parents, they will go to their future home, Forte Meade, Da.—M. G. W."

THE Senate Committee on Military Affairs in reporting favorably upon a bill for the relief of Chas. B. Stivers say:

There can be no serious question as to the equity or justice of this measure. Capt. Stivers was most unjustly dismissed from the Service by the order of the Secretary of War, issued July 15, 1883. This fact was so evident that before 30 days had elapsed, he was restored and continued to perform duty until Dec. 30, 1884, when, from long and faithful service in the Army, he was placed upon the retired list. He continued upon the retired list of the Army until it was decided by the Court of Claims that while the President had power to dismiss an officer summarily, he had no power to revoke such order of dismissal. The act gives the President authority to appoint Capt. Stivers to the same grade and rank of captain, and to place him upon the retired list of the Army as of the date of Dec. 30, 1884, which is the date of his retirement; also to ratify the action by which Capt. Stivers has been retired from the time of his retirement. This is simply affording justice and fair relief to an officer of excellent record and gallant service, who certainly has been most unjustly treated.

REVENUE MARINE SERVICE.

Capt. L. G. Shepard, Act'g Chief Rev. Marine Division

The Senate bill for the construction of two revenue cutters for service in the lakes was reported by the House Naval Committee this week with an amendment requiring one of the cutters to be assigned to the coast and the other to the lakes.

2d Asst. Engr. John B. Coyle detached from the Rush and ordered to the Woodbury at Eastport, Me., when relieved by Asst. Engr. Valat.

Military Order of the Loyal Legion.

The Philadelphia Commandery have arranged for a reception to the sons and successors of the Companions at a special meeting to be held March 25 and have appointed sixteen of the young gentlemen a committee of reception. This is an excellent idea and should be adopted by other Commanderies of the Military Order. The Companions of the first class will soon give place to their successors and the young men should be brought forward. At this meeting Companion John P. Greer will read a paper on the Movement of the 11th and 15th Army Corps from the Potomac to the Tennessee.

THE name of the U. S. S. Intrepid has been stricken from the list of naval vessels by order of Secretary Tracy, from March 9, 1892.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

FORT CUSTER, MONT.

The Leap Year Cotillion of '92 is a thing of the past. The young ladies, with a resolution worthy of themselves, surmounted almost insurmountable obstacles, and their success is a matter of congratulation to them and a pleasant memory to the friends who partook of their hospitality.

The hop room was changed from a dreary, barn-like hall into a ball room decorated with the choice of art, illuminated by lamps with various colored shades, throwing a pleasant light over the room at the far end. The young ladies, chaperoned by Mrs. O'Neil, received their guests. Lieut. Andrews and Miss Happersett led. The figures were novel and interesting; the favors—distributed by Mesdames Sweet, Campbell, Blaine and Miss Edgerton—of the most unique and unexpected nature, and a memento well worth preserving. Many of the favors were made by the ladies themselves, and these were by far in the greatest demand. Those who danced were: Mrs. Aleshire and Col. Arnold, Mrs. Edwards and Lieut. Byram, Miss Wilcox and Lieut. Mills, Dr. and Mrs. Morris, Miss Emily Happersett and Mr. Arnold, Captain and Mrs. Boutelle, Mrs. Clarke and Capt. Adams, Miss Adams and Dr. Smith, Miss Lotta Adams and Lieut. Burkhardt, Mrs. Wainwright and Lieut. Aleshire, Miss Drew and Capt. Wainwright, Mrs. French and Lieut. Osborne, Mrs. Byram and Lieut. Robertson and Lieutenant and Mrs. O'Neil.

Mrs. Edwards wore a white tulle, a large aigret adorned her hair, diamond ornaments; Miss Happersett, white china silk, no ornaments; Miss Emily Happersett, a white tulle, no ornaments; Mrs. Aleshire, black lace, diamond ornaments. Mrs. Clarke was very charming in a black lace over pink; Mrs. Boutelle, white organza; Miss Wilcox, a white net, pearl ornaments. Miss Adams was most becomingly attired in white china silk cut decollette, no ornaments; Miss Lotta Adams, a canary colored silk, no ornaments; Mrs. Wainwright, black lace, diamonds; Miss Drew, white china silk, pearl trimmings and ornaments; Mrs. French, white faille silk; Mrs. Byram, a figured chaille, diamond ornaments; Mrs. O'Neil, a becoming dress of white Henrietta cloth with curlic trimmings.

The cotillion, preceded by a short informal hop, was led off at 9.30 P. M. Dancing continued until 12, when an elaborate supper was served, consisting of all the delicacies and dainties of the season—the young ladies at this time proving themselves the most elegant of hostesses. After supper the dance was again opened with the figure new; but a name not strange to us, "La Grippo." The dance went on and joy was undimmed, until 1 o'clock found us regretfully saying good-night to the most charming hostesses of a most charming night.

The local Cavalry, after eight years at this post, are making preparations for a change. They deserve it. The most exhilarating spectacle to be seen here is when the stage from civilization, drawn by two condemned cavalry horses, creeps slowly into the post. The lat have the knack of making themselves, and I doubt not that the denizens around the fort and even the Crow Indians whom they thrashed so well a few years ago will regret them.

The post is an active military school; three afternoons each week officers call is sounded and all gather to discuss professional subjects. Two afternoons are devoted by the officers to the non-com. officers' drill every morning. Many want more work.

Capt. Sweet, 25th Inf., is still laid up with a sprained ankle; four months ago his horse fell on him.

March came in like a lamb, but hadn't been here long before he started his old lion business. Skating and coasting are again the order of the day.

The latest professional subjects of interest are "Cavalry Raids," by Lieut. Mills, 1st Cav., and "Dogs in War," by Lieut. O'Neil, 25th Inf.

JUSTIN TYME.

FORT SIDNEY, NEB.

The local paper speaks in high terms of the amateur acting at Fort Sidney, Neb., on the evening of March 3. It says:

The performance of the three acts of "Our Regiment" Tuesday evening, for finished acting, artistic costume and effective stage setting, was equal, if not superior, to any entertainment that has been offered on the stage of the post theatre. The play was an unequalled success from an artistic, as well as a financial standpoint, and the Episcopal church for whose benefit it was given, will net a satisfactory sum. Capt. Ebstein, to whose management and supervision is due much of the success of the piece, as Mr. Dobbinson, gave a fine piece of comedy acting. Capt. Duncan, as Mr. Ellaby, stamped himself in his first appearance, as an actor of no mean ability. Lieut. Morrow, as Capt. Felt, did remarkably well. In the character of Guy Warren Lieut. Van Dorman made a decided hit. Lieut. Upton looked and played the young curate to perfection. Mrs. Jocelyn as Miss Thurston scored a decided and well deserved success. Miss Blanchard, in the part of Maud Ellaby, won the hearts of the audience. Miss Jewett was a very pleasing Olive. Mrs. Stowitts as Mrs. Dobbinson was splendid. Lieut. Palmer played well the minor part of Battles, and also performed the important duties of stage manager.

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

VANCOUVER BARRACKS.

The leap year party, for which the ladies of Vancouver Barracks, Wash., have been making extensive preparations for some time, came off at that charming post Friday evening, Feb. 19, and was the greatest society event of the season. The hop room was rally bedecked with the national colors and regimental flags of the 14th Inf., corps badges, mortar, stands of arms and other paraphernalia, relieved by clusters of Oregon grapes, smilax and cedar. The orchestra was almost hidden from view by a miniature forest of firs. A small room near the hop room excited curiosity by the suggestive sign in the doorway—large wooden spoons being crossed there—on entering which, the rugs, divans, easy chairs, beautiful pictures and soft, subdued lights, showed it to be a veritable lovers' den.

The guests were received by Mrs. Major McCrea, Mrs. Major French and Mrs. Captain Patterson, and numbered nearly one hundred, a number from Portland and Vancouver being present.

The young ladies having charge of the party, Misses Anderson, Trotter, French, Carpenter, O'Neil, Murphy, Trotter and McCrea, indicated their authority by their decorations of helmet cords, aiguillettes, sword knots and various badges and medals, the overdress of gold and silver being extremely becoming, all of them being most gorgeously arrayed.

The programme included 23 dances, and continued until 2.30 A. M., an elegant supper of bountiful menu being served at 11 P. M.

FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS.

The Kansas City Times has these items:

Lieut. Maury Nichols, 7th Infantry, has submitted to the garrisons of the Regular Army and Navy Union three designs for a badge, believing it to be to the best interest of the order that the present insignia be changed as it is too much like that of the G. A. R.

Paymaster Smith is still confined to his residence with the aristocratic disease—la grippe.

Mr. Doogal, of Glasgow, Scotland, arrived here Friday night, and is visiting his sister, Mrs. Moore, wife of Capt. Francis Moore, 9th Cav. This is the gentleman's first visit to the United States.

Miss Scovall, of New York, after an extended visit to Capt. and Mrs. Swigert, has returned to her home.

Col. Townsend is on duty for the first time in several days, having been indisposed.

Lt. Allison, 2d Cav., en route from Ft. Riley to Jefferson

Mks., Mo., spent a few hours with Capt. Swigert recently,

The War Department will detail another chaplain to assist Chaplain Pierce and relieve him of the duties he is now required to perform in the post. This would enable him to give all his attention to the department in the prison over which he presides with much ability.

Referring to the department competitions and those for the Army, the very satisfactory conditions prevailing at Fort Sheridan range last year led many marksmen to believe that it would not be called there again. It is the general opinion of all good marksmen that the Fort Leavenworth range is better equipped and more desirable than any other range in the Army.

The fifth annual report of the Army Co-operative Fire Association will soon be ready for general distribution to members. The fire indemnity fund Jan. 1, 1892, is given as \$7,656.59, and there was paid for the same period from the same fund, \$7,656.59. The assets of the association are \$4,877.93. The cost of insurance for 1891 was \$6.24 per \$1,000 and from date of organization the cost has been \$5.70 per \$400 of insurance or \$14.25 per \$1,000 for a period of nearly five years. The amount refunded to estates of deceased members is \$734; amounts returned to members having fire limits, \$145.48.

Capt. and Mrs. Luff are the guests of Lieut. and Mrs. Shunk.

Troop I, 5th Cav., is going to spread itself on the night of March 17, by giving its first grand military ball at Garrison Hall.

Lieuts. Nichols, 23d Inf., and Mason, 4th Inf., will be relieved from duty at the prison May 1 by Lieuts. Sands, 6th Cav., and Blatchford, 11th Inf.

The operetta, "The Sleeping Queen," by M. W. Balfe, will be presented March 12. The cast is as follows:

Maria Dolores, Queen of Leon.....Mrs. Pierce
Donna Agnes, a maid of honor.....Mrs. Andrus
Philippe D'Agular, a young exile.....Mr. Andrus
His Excellency, the Regent.....Mr. Wild
Accompanist.....Mr. Root

On March 13 a new company will present "The Professor's Tragedy."

Stray Shots has these items:

Lieut. Von Schrader had as his guest during the week his brother, who lives in St. Louis.

Capt. and Mrs. Pope have as their guests Misses Yeatman and Lane, of St. Louis. The former is a niece of Gen. Pope.

On May 1, Lieut. C. W. Mason will be relieved from duty at the prison, after four years of very efficient service as commissary officer, and will rejoin his regiment, the 4th Inf., probably at Fort Spang, Wash. On the same day, Lieut. W. A. Nichols, our painstaking adjutant, will give up the laborious duties of that position, and start to rejoin his regiment, the 23d Infantry, at Fort Bliss, Texas. The places vacated in the prison will be taken by 1st Lieut. George H. Sands, 9th Cav., and R. M. Blatchford, 11th Inf. The former is stationed at Fort Yellowstone, Wyo., and the latter at Madison Barracks, N. Y. Lieutenant Blatchford is the son of an associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

PRESIDIO OF SAN FRANCISCO.

The Bugle for March blows these notes:

The night of Feb. 4 will long be remembered by the people of the Presidio, the occasion being the annual party given by the Ladies' Reading Club. Invitations were extended to the entire garrison.

One of the saddest incidents that has happened at the Presidio was the death of Mrs. Granger Adams, Feb. 12, after a short illness. The entire regiment sympathize with the bereaved husband and daughter. The home she endeavored to a large circle of friends by her ready sympathy, cheerfulness and generous hospitality. Her place in our midst can never be filled.

The Officers' Lyceum meets every Monday evening in the rooms of the club, and thus far has proved interesting and instructive. The following papers were read during February: "Proper employment of modern cavalry in war," Capt. A. E. Wood, 4th Cavalry; "The horse, his origin, lineage and development," Capt. D. H. Kinzie, 5th Artillery; "Military Topography," Lieut. A. C. Blunt, 5th Artillery; "The Artillery Gunner," Capt. Charles Morris, 5th Artillery.

Capt. E. L. Zalinski, 5th Artillery, left Feb. 10 for a course of treatment at Hot Springs, Ark.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

Lieut. M. ATHIAS CROWLEY, 5th Infantry, read a paper before the officers' lyceum at the post on the subject of "Convoys."

Capt. W. C. Manning, 23d Infantry, has delivered a lecture to the non-commissioned officers at the post on the subject of "Orders and Giving, Enforcing and Obeying Them."

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.)

U. S. NAVAL ACADEMY.

ANAPOLIS, MD., March 13, 1892.

THE children's german, which was postponed from Feb. 29 on account of bad weather, was held on Monday night in the boathouse. The german is given annually by the dancing class, made up of the children of officers stationed here. The teacher of the class, Prof. Mubler, who is also the dancing master for the cadets, led the little ones around, through the mazes of many intricate and very pretty figures. The favor table was presided over by Mrs. Prof. Terry. Among those dancing were the Misses Merrill, Rittenhouse, Peck, Milton, Terry, Elliott, Benson, Fitch, Moore and Denis; Masters Ingersoll, Merriam, Hines, Hittenhouse, Chester, Billings, Bacon, Bowman and Hawley.

Mrs. Reeder gave a very pleasant musical on Wednesday evening. Miss Kidwell sang, Miss Todhunter gave several selections on the violin, Miss Handy and Mrs. Lieut. Smith also participated. The 2d Class has been given permission to make the necessary preparations for the annual ball to be held in June. The following committee has been elected: W. K. Gies, S. B. Upham, W. S. Montgomery, Chester Wells, M. E. Trench, T. B. Wilson, D. G. Nutting and T. S. Kellogg. The Naval Committee of the House of Representatives paid a visit to the Naval Academy on Saturday. They witnessed the drill of "general quarters" on board the Enterprise. At its conclusion they were shown the various places of interest in the Yard, returning to Washington by the afternoon train. The mid-winter tournament came off in the gymnasium last Saturday afternoon and was most creditable to those taking part.

Lieut. J. D. Adams reported here for duty on Wednesday last, and left next day in charge of the practice-ship Constellation, bound for Norfolk. The Constellation is to be fitted out for what will, in all probability, be her last cruise with the naval cadets, as next year the new steel practice cruiser is to be completed.

Miss Edith Elmer, daughter of Comdr. Horace Elmer, is visiting Miss Isabelle Claude in Annapolis. The resignations of Cadets White and Morgan were accepted last week. One of the signs of spring is the change in the supper hour from six to half-past. This allows more time for the afternoon drill.

Capt. and Mrs. Philip are the guests of Lieut. and Mrs. Harris.

Comdr. and Mrs. Jewell are staying with Lieut. and Mrs. Galloway.

NINE British ironclads arrived at Alexander March 16, to receive Eyoub Pasha, the Sultan's envoy, who is the bearer of the firman of the firman of investiture of Prince Abbas as Khedive of Egypt and of the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Medjidieh, with diamonds, which the Sultan has conferred upon the Khedive.

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PHILADELPHIA, 1st rate, 12 guns flagship, Capt. Frederick Rodgers. Arrived at St. Thomas March 14. Will proceed to Key West, Fla., in a few days, where the squadron will engage in target practice and drill exercises for several weeks before coming North.

CONCORD, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander O. A. Batcheller. Same as Philadelphia.

KEARSARGE, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. H. Elmer. Arrived at Port-au-Prince March 10, all well. En route to Key West, Fla.

The Kearsarge arrived at Key West March 18. Miantonomoh, monitor, 3d rate, 4 guns, Captain Montgomery Slocard, comdg. At New York. Will shortly try her guns and Speed in Gardiner's Bay.

VESUVIUS, 4th rate, 3 guns, dynamite cruiser, Lt. Seaton Schroeder, comdg. At New York Navy-yard.

NEWARK, 1st rate, 12 guns, Capt. Silas Casey. En route to St. Thomas and from thence will proceed to Key West.

E. Atl. Sta'n.—Act'g R. Adml. J. G. Walker.

Mails for vessels on this station should be addressed to the care of the U. S. Consul, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London, unless otherwise noted.

CHICAGO, flagship, 1st rate, 14 guns, Capt. J. N. Miller. Reported at La Plata March 15, where the squadron was visited by the President of Argentine and members of his cabinet.

ATLANTA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Capt. F. J. Higginson. Same as Chicago.

BENNINGTON, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander R. B. Bradford. Same as Chicago.

ESSEX, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. A. S. Snow. Same as Chicago.

YANTIC, 3d rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. Samuel Belden. At Buenos Ayres, Jan. 27.

Pacific Station.—Act'g Rear Adml. Geo. Brown.

Address all mail to Navy Pay Office, San Francisco, Cal. unless otherwise noted.

BALTIMORE, 1st rate, 10 guns, Captain Wm. Whitehead. At Mare Island, Cal. As soon as repairs to condenser tubes are completed will go to San Diego for target practice.

BOSTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain G. C. Wiltse. Arrived at Panama March 5, to visit the Island of Socorro, about 200 miles off the coast of Mexico, to pick up some wrecked seamen from the brig Tahiti, supposed to be there.

CHARLESTON, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain Henry F. Pickens. At San Diego, Cal., March 17, engaged in target practice.

INOQUOIS, 3d rate, 7 guns. Comdr. J. J. Read. At Apia, Samoa, at last accounts. Ordered home, and is probably now en route for San Francisco.

MOHICAN, 3d rate, 10 guns, Commander O. S. Cotton. Left San Francisco for Port Orehead, Wash., March 11, as convoy to Nipsic. Ran ashore at Point Washington March 14, but got off five hours' late and proceeded on her way apparently uninjured.

PENSAFOOLA, 2d rate, 16 guns, flagship, Captain Albert Kautz. At Honolulu Dec. 17. Report from Admiral Brown states that she would sail about March 18 for San Francisco, where she might be expected by April 15.

SAN FRANCISCO, 1st rate, 12 guns, flagship, Capt. Wm. T. Sampson. At Honolulu, H. I., Feb. 20.

YORKTOWN, 3d rate, 6 guns. Commander R. D. Evans. Arrived at Acapulco March 14, en route to San Francisco so that she may be docked and her bottom cleaned and painted.

Atlantic Station.—Rear Adml. D. B. Harmony.

ALERT, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. R. D. Hitchcock. At Canton, China, Feb. 2.

ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander Felix McCurley. At Yokohama, Japan, Feb. 2. A despatch from San Francisco states that she ran on the breakwater at Yokohama and was seriously injured. Nothing official, however, has been heard from Rear Admiral Harmony.

LANCASTER, 2d rate, 10 guns, flagship, Capt. H. B. Seely. At Hong Kong, China, Feb. 2.

MONOCACY, Comdr. F. M. Barber, 3d rate 6 guns. At Chinkiang, China, Feb. 2.

MARION, flagship, 3d rate, 8 guns. Comdr. J. R. Bartlett. At Yokohama Feb. 2.

PALOS, 4th rate, 7 howitzers. Lieut. Comdr. J. C. Rich. At Taku, China, for the winter.

PETREL, 4th rate, 4 guns. Lieut.-Comdr. M. R. S. Mackenzie. At Singapore Feb. 5.

Apprentice Training Squadron.

JAMESTOWN, 12 guns, Comdr. C. F. Goodrich. Left Fort Monroe, Virginia, March 1 on a cruise. Mail matter should be mailed in the United States so as to arrive at New York not later than April 23 for St. Thomas. After the latter date mail should be sent to Station E, New York City. Address letters care of U. S. Consul, and be careful to state name of vessel.

PORTSMOUTH, 12 guns, Comdr. C. D. Sigbee. Arrived at Trinidad March 7. The schedule of her winter cruise with mail address is as follows: From Port of Spain, April 5; from St. Thomas, April 15. Address mail as follows: To the ship, care United States Consul, Port of Spain, Trinidad; from March 25 to April 10 to the ship, care United States Consul, St. Thomas, Danish West Indies; after April 10, to the ship at Fort Monroe, Va. Mail may be sent at any time by way of New York, and should be in New York by the dates indicated in the above schedule, according to which address it is intended for.

RICHMOND, 2d rate, 14 guns. Capt. F. M. Bunce. At Newport, R. I. (Receiving ship for boys).
MINNESOTA, 19 guns. Receiving ship for boys. Capt. E. E. Potter. At dock foot of West 50th street N. Y. City.

MONONGAHELA, Comdr. J. H. Sands. Ordered to Hampton Roads, Va. At Trinidad, Jan. 29. Will cruise among the islands to the northward and gradually work her way to Hampton Roads, Va., to arrive there about May 1. Address Old Point Comfort, Va.

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ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Commander Colby M. Chester, commanding, in addition to his other duties. Cadet practice and training ship at Annapolis.

DOLPHIN, 3d rate, despatch boat, 2 guns. Comdr. W. H. Brownson, comdr. Went into commission at the Norfolk Navy-yard March 14. Will shortly proceed to Washington to convey party of distinguished officials to Norfolk to witness launching of the Raleigh March 31.

FERN, fourth rate despatch vessel, Lieut. Comdr. A. J. Iverson. At Norfolk, Va., at last accounts. Lieut.-Comdr. W. C. Gibson ordered to command upon her arrival at New York.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 4 guns, (2 howitzers and 2 galleons). Commander Geo. E. Wingate. In winter quarters at Erie, Pa.

PINTA, 4th rate, 4 howitzers. Lieut.-Comdr. Washburn Maynard. At Sitka, Alaska, at last accounts.

SARATOGA, Comdr. F. M. Green, nautical school-ship of Pennsylvania. Sailed from Philadelphia, January 30, on her winter cruise. She will go to Point à Pitre, Basse Terre, St. Kitts, St. Thomas, Kingston, Jamaica, and other West Indian ports. The cruise will occupy several months.

ST. MARY'S, sails, 8 guns. Comdr. John McGowan, Jr. Public Marine School, New York.

THETIS, 3d rate, 2 machine guns. Commander Geo. C. Reiter. En route to San Francisco to be fitted out for surveying route for submarine cable between Honolulu and San Francisco.

VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

THE Experimental Board at the New York Yard have under consideration the Yaryan type of evaporator for marine purposes, the claims for this apparatus being of a high class.

RECENT official reports from the U. S. S. *Bennington* place her economical speed, for maximum coal endurance at nearly 10 knots per hour, or essentially the same as the *Concord* and *Yorktown*.

THE U. S. S. *Ranger*, now fitting for duty in Bering Sea, at the Mare Island Navy-yard, will be assigned to the China station sometime this fall and will replace the *Palos*, this latter craft having about reached the end of her usefulness.

LATE letters from the U. S. S. *Concord* give meagre details of the recent remarkable voyage from Montevideo, Uruguay, to St. Thomas, W. I., and speak of the general discomforts encountered during the prolonged steaming of 20 days. Health of crew and officers continues good.

In launching the U. S. tug *Iwona* from Loring's ship yard, Boston, Mass., March 12, by a mistake after reaching the water the engineer sent the tug ahead full speed, crashing into a number of piles and breaking off twenty or more of them. The vessel, it is said, sustained little damage.

NOTHING official has been heard of at the Navy Department concerning the reported accident to the U. S. steamer *Alliance* at Yokohama. It is therefore assumed that if she did run ashore as reported in the newspaper despatches, she did not sustain any serious damage, as in that case it would have been the duty of her commanding officer to advise the Department of the fact by cable.

THE New York *Herald* offers \$200 to the American artist submitting the best design for the silver service to be presented to the cruiser *New York*. The designs are to be submitted to the following committee: Mrs. Grover Cleveland, Mrs. Edward Cooper, Mrs. Wm. T. Blodgett, Mrs. Jeannette M. Thurber, Mrs. Tracy Wilmerding, and Messrs. Frederick E. Coudert, Chauncey M. Depew, Charles A. Dana, Wm. O. Whitney and Prof. Wm. R. Ware.

WE regret to say that the prospects for any legislation looking to a relief from the existing stagnation in naval promotion are not encouraging. The bill to carry out the recommendation of Secretary Tracy on the subject referred to in the JOURNAL two weeks ago, is still in the hands of Chairman Herbert. He desires to talk it over with members of the committee before introducing it. In view of the attitude of the House on all matters involving an increase in expenditures, the committee do not feel disposed to give much attention to measures relating to the personnel at the present time. The chairman is considering the advisability of reporting a resolution for the appointment of a joint commission from the two Houses to sit during the recess to consider the whole subject of naval organization.

A SUCCESSFUL test of plano fibre cellulose as a packing for armor took place at the Indian Head proving grounds Mar. 16 under the direction of a Board of naval officers. A six-inch B. L. rifle was used with 25 pounds of powder and a 100-pound shell. The gun was first fired at the loose packed cofferdam, and the shell passed through the cofferdam and 20 feet into the sand at the back before bursting. A light cloud of brown dust blew out of the hole made. The cut was round and clean and only a couple of quarts of the cellulose was lost. Two shots were fired into each cofferdam with little or no difference in the effect on the cofferdams and cellulose. The fear that the shells would burst before getting through the rear wall of the cofferdam, in which case the back would have been badly torn, proved unfounded, as did the other fear that the cellulose might take fire. The tug *Fern* took the cofferdam to the Norfolk Navy Yard, where on Thursday the water test was made in the presence of the Board.

THE *Thetis*, it is announced, has been selected to take the place of the *Albatross* in running another line of soundings between San Francisco and Hono-

lulu for the proposed submarine cable. She is now en route to San Francisco to be fitted out for that service, having been recalled from surveying duty on the lower coast of California.

A NAVAL officer who takes exception to Napoleon's maxim that it is imagination, not fact, that rules the world sends us the following: "Your notice of Davidson's picture says, 'The Union frigate is aground.' Wouldn't such a picture be more valuable if correct? The *Cumberland* did not ground until she went to the bottom. She sank at her anchors. Incorrect pictures make incorrect history. A picture of the battle of Lake Erie, painted a few years ago, has the same objection. Very pretty but not true. The Congress was run ashore and burned on the beach."

A DESPATCH from Ottawa, Ontario, March 6, says: "Two new light steel revenue cutters are about to be placed on the upper lakes by the Dominion Government for the protection of the fisheries in those waters from depletion by the use of gill and pound nets, both of which are illegal. One of the new boats will be placed on Lake Superior and the other on Lake Huron, the old boats on these lakes being commissioned for coast service on the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The new boats will only carry the light armament absolutely necessary for their own protection. There will be no violation of old treaties in any way."

THE Buenos Ayres *Herald* of Feb. 5 says: "The attempt to sell the condemned *Tallapoosa* with an upset price of \$9,500 gold, was a failure, nor will any other attempt be at that price, which amounts to some \$35,000 paper money. Moreover there are few buyers of steamers, a great number of those of modern construction having nothing to do. It will probably never again occur that the United States flag will be so poorly represented in these waters as during the last ten years, especially from men-of-war. The days when the United States Navy will be represented by such craft as the *Tallapoosa* have passed not to return, although our harbor does not invite the largest ships of war."

THE new Sound steamer *Maine*, built for the Providence and Stonington Steamship Company, has arrived at New York after a most successful trial, and will shortly go into commission. The *Maine* is a steel screw propeller, with a guaranteed speed of 17 knots per hour. She did considerably better than this on her trial trip, averaging 17.6 knots per hour. Her dimensions are 302 feet at water line, 310 feet over all, 44 feet beam and 12½ feet draught. She is the first of this type of propulsion to be employed on the Sound, and it is expected she will prove at least 20 per cent. more economical than the old-style paddle-wheel class of passenger boats. The *New Hampshire*, a twin vessel of the *Maine*, will be completed in about thirty days. The builder of these two steamers is the well known Harlan and Hollingsworth Company, of Wilmington, Del. The design is principally the work of Mr. J. W. Miller, the president of the Providence and Stonington Steamship Company, and the steamers have been built under the immediate supervision of Mr. S. J. Clarke, the superintendent of the company.

THE Navy Department March 15 received the first official news of the killing of Mr. Gower Robinson by Lieut. J. H. Hetherington, U.S.N., at Yokohama in February last, in a short telegram from Rear Admiral Belknap, who has just arrived in San Francisco from China. He was in command of the Asiatic squadron when the homicide occurred. He states that Hetherington will be tried by the U. S. Consular Court at Yokohama. The coroner's jury in the case has returned a verdict of wilful murder. Dr. Eldridge testified that Robinson told him in an indirect way who fired the fatal shot and added, "Doctor, if I get through this time alive, he'll finish me next time." The doctor replied: "No, if you recover he'll be out of the way of doing you any mischief." On Robinson asking what the doctor meant the latter stated that Hetherington would be arrested. Robinson responded: "Good God! That will never do; it will ruin the poor fellow." After repeating this Robinson asked Dr. Eldridge to write from dictation to Admiral Belknap. In the letter Robinson used the phrase as nearly as the witness could remember, to the following effect: "If anything from me can make the position of Lieut. Hetherington easier or better I shall be very glad. I fully forgive him."

A PARTING kick is given the old Navy, already fast disappearing, by a provision in the Naval Appropriation bill further reducing the limit at which wooden vessels may be repaired from 20 to 10 per cent. of the original cost, and prohibiting the construction of new boilers for any old ship. The practical effect of this provision, should it become a law, will be to immediately retire the *Omaha*, *Nipisic*, *Iroquois*, *Pensacola*, *Richmond* and *Suvarata*, and to shorten the lives of other wooden vessels by from two to five years. The *Lancaster* is the only vessel of the old Navy in thorough repair at the present time. It is doubtful if any of the wooden ships can be repaired within 10 per cent. of their original cost upon their return from their present cruises. Fortunately, the *Hartford* and *Kearsarge* have been excepted from the provision, so that these two historic ships-of-war will be preserved indefinitely, as they should be. The vessels of the old Navy remaining in commission as cruising ships are the *Lancaster*, *Marion*, *Mohican*, *Kearsarge*, *Yantic*, *Alert*, *Palos*, *Essex*, *Iroquois*, *Alliance*, *Thetis*, *Pinta*, *Monocacy* and *Pensacola*. The latter is now en route to Mare Island from Honolulu, and will go out of commission upon her arrival. The *Iroquois* will soon arrive at Mare Island from Samoa, and will also go out of commission. The *Adams* and *Ranger* will be placed in commission at Mare Island during the present month.

NAVY GAZETTE.

Ordered.

MARCH 12.—Lieutenant Commander James H. Dayton as executive of the receiving ship Vermont March 16.

Assistant Surgeon E. R. Stitt ordered to duty at the Naval Hospital, Philadelphia.

Lieutenant Commander O. W. Farenholt is ordered to examination for promotion.

MARCH 15.—Passed Assistant Surgeon E. H. Marsteller to duty at the Naval Academy.

Lieutenant C. P. Rees, having arrived at New York from the *Tallapoosa* is ordered home and granted three months' leave from the 11th inst.

MARCH 12.—Lieutenant Francis H. Sherman ordered to examination for promotion on March 16. Lieutenant James K. Cogswell having arrived in New York from the *Tallapoosa* is ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Lieutenant Sidney H. May ordered to duty as a member of Board of Inspection of merchant vessels at New York on April 16.

Passed Assistant Engineer L. S. K. Reeves having arrived in New York from the *Tallapoosa* is ordered home and granted three months' leave.

Lieutenant William C. Strong ordered to duty on the *Mohican*.

MARCH 16.—Boatswain W. L. Hill, to Navy-yard, New York, March 27.

MARCH 17.—Assistant Surgeon C. H. T. Lowndes, from Richmond and ordered to Vermont.

Passed Assistant Surgeon W. F. Arnold, from Vermont and ordered to Richmond.

Lieutenant John Garvin, ordered to physical examination at Navy-yard, New York, on March 26.

Commander George E. Ide, from Ordnance Instruction, Navy-yard, Washington, and placed on waiting orders.

Detached.

MARCH 11.—Lieutenant William P. Day from the receiving ship Franklin on April 16, and ordered as executive of the *Ranger* on April 26.

Lieutenant J. B. Collins from Navy Yard, Pensacola, Fla., March 16 and ordered to *Ranger* on April 26.

Lieutenant Samuel Senbury from duty as a member of the Board of Inspection of Merchant vessels at New York and ordered to the *Ranger* on April 26.

Lieutenant John C. Wilson from the Navy Yard, Norfolk on March 17 and ordered to Navy Yard, New York.

Ensign Thomas Snowden from Naval Observatory on April 16 and ordered to the *Ranger* April 26.

Ensign A. H. Robertson from the Newark and ordered to the *Ranger* on April 26.

P. A. Engineer J. S. Ogden, from Bureau Steam Engineering and assigned as assistant to the Superintendent of State, War and Navy Department Buildings, Washington, D. C.

Lieutenant T. H. Stevens detached from *Mohican* upon reporting of relief and ordered as executive of *Ranger*.

MARCH 14.—Ensign Charles M. Fabs, on expiration of present leave, detached from the Homestead Steel Works and to the Ohio Steel Works, Cleveland, Ohio.

Lieutenant Frank E. Beatty from the Library and War Record's Office April 20 and ordered to *Ranger* on April 26.

Ensign Louis S. Van Duxer, detached from the Hydrographic Office on March 17 and ordered to the *Miantonomoh*.

Passed Assistant Engineer W. B. Bayley detached from duty in Fish Commission on April 11 and ordered to *Ranger* on March 20.

MARCH 16.—Boatswain William Anderson, from Navy-yard, New York, upon reporting of his relief on March 27, and ordered to Navy-yard, Boston.

Boatswain J. B. Aikin, from Navy-yard, Boston, March 26 and granted leave for one year.

Lieut. N. J. L. T. Halpine, having reported his arrival from the *Tallapoosa*, is ordered home and granted three months' leave.

MARCH 16.—Commander A. S. Crowninshield, to command *Kearsarge*, relieving Commander Horace Eimer, who will be detached upon report of his relief and granted three months' leave.

Appointments.

Joseph R. Ward appointed as an acting gunner.

Confirmations.

MARCH 14.—Assistant Naval Constructor Samuel W. Armistead to be a naval constructor in the U. S. Navy.

Thomas S. Jewett, a resident of Missouri, and Frank T. Armer, a resident of Connecticut, to be assistant paymasters in the Navy.

Frederick Francis Sherman, a resident of Massachusetts, and William H. Ironsides Reaney, a resident of Maryland, to be chaplains in the Navy.

First Lieutenant Frank L. Denny, U. S. Marine Corps, to be assistant quartermaster in the Marine Corps.

Nominations.

MARCH 7.—Lieutenant F. L. Denny to be captain and assistant quartermaster, vice Schenck, retired.

MARCH 14.—Charles Perry Bagge, a resident of California, to be an assistant surgeon in the Navy, to fill a vacancy in that grade.

Leave.

Rear Admiral John C. Howell, retired, is granted one year's leave with permission to visit Europe.

Revoked.

Orders of March 11 detaching Lieutenant William P. Day from Franklin and as executive of *Ranger* revoked.

MARINE CORPS.

MARCH 12.—First Lieutenant James E. Mahoney having reported at the Marine Barracks, Brooklyn, N. Y., with the guard of the *Tallapoosa*, is detached from that post, will proceed to Boston, Mass., and report to the Commandant of the Navy Yard there for duty at the Marine Barracks.

OF Senator Charles Sumner, of Massachusetts, Butler says: "Although he was in the Senate for more than a quarter of a century, ten lines of laws upon the statute books of the United States drawn by him are yet to be found." It is to Sumner's unreasoning opposition is due the fact that General Grant's project of securing control of Samana Bay, San Domingo, was not carried out, and we lost the advantage of a coaling station there.

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rules of late in the matter of the inspection of
public property with a view to condemnation. So
far as we can judge, they are in the interest of proper
economy, for the demands, as all know, for new
property of all descriptions at our military posts are
far in excess of the ability of the supply depart-
ments to furnish.

A REGISTER of the War Department, dated Jan.
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usual fund of information in regard to the per-
sonnel of the military bureaus in Washington.

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THE Evening Post, March 17 (New York), refer-
ring to the delay in the appointment to the posi-
tion of brigadier general, vacant since early in
January last, criticises Cardinal Gibbons for "en-
deavoring to advance the fortunes of Colonel John
J. Coppinger, who, like the cardinal, is an Irishman
and a Roman Catholic." The Post, adds, however,
that nobody has a word to say in derogation of
Colonel Coppinger's qualities as a soldier, but sees
in the proposition to elevate him to vacant position
a huge political scheme. The Post has some very
sensible remarks upon the subject of the delay in
making the appointment. We fail to see what good
purpose has been accomplished by it, and it cer-
tainly has greatly increased the embarrassment of
the President in making his selection.

THE OUTHWAITE BILL.

We have received several communications con-
cerning the Outhwaite bill, but most of them are
personal argument, in behalf of individual officers,
and not discussions of the principle of the bill it-
self. Every one must be aware that this is an ex-
tremely delicate ground to enter upon, and the sev-
eral communications neutralize each other by
leading us to entirely different conclusions in the
attempt to apply what their writers regard as sound
principles to the consideration of the subject of
lineal promotion. The picture some of these cor-
respondents draw of the results of a re-arrangement
of the lineal list reminds us of the story told of the
quack who raised an uproar in a quiet settlement
by announcing his intention of raising the dead in
the village graveyard on a given date in the future.
When the simple countrymen finally became con-
vinced that he might possibly succeed in doing
this, one remembered that he had buried a relative
to whose memory he was devotedly attached but
whose departure had so greatly improved his worldly
fortunes that he was quite content to have him re-
main where he was. Another, who was enjoying
his honeymoon with his Ann Eliza, did not alto-
gether relish the prospect that his sainted Maria
might return to claim his allegiance. And so the
hubbub grew, until the authorities were obliged to
interfere to prevent the possible upsetting of long-
established relations.

A similar difficulty suggests itself in connection
with the Outhwaite bill, and we confess it is be-
yond our ability to decide how the principle of
lineal promotion, for which we have contended,
should be applied, to accomplish the greatest good
and the least injury. We prefer to leave to Con-
gress and the military authorities the uncongenial
task of settling the difficulty. The harmony and
efficiency of the Army as a whole is what should
first of all be considered. If there were any read-
justment of rank that would do exact justice to all
we should urge its adoption with all our strength,
but we hesitate to present personal suggestions in
favor of particular measures, that inevitably pro-
voke reply in the style of the *tu quoque* argument.

In this connection, we recall the high testi-
mony General Slocum once bore in our pre-
sence to the loyal service rendered to him as a
ranking officer by General Greene, still living at
the age of ninety, who was commissioned a second
lieutenant, after completing his course at West
Point, four years before his commanding officer
(Slocum) was born. This is an extreme illustration
of the vicissitudes of rank, but it is a pertinent one.
The spirit most to be deprecated, in our judgment,
is that of pitting service against service, in the vain
attempt to establish claims to precedence assumed
to be founded in abstract justice. We learn from
Washington that the arguments for and against the
Outhwaite bill are being very fully presented to
Congress, in letters from Army officers. Whatever
the result, we trust that the example of General
Greene will be followed by those who have the mis-
fortune to be outvoted.

THE Medical Record calls attention to the wisdom
of the check system now employed by the most re-
putable drug stores in New York where the pre-
scription put up by one person is checked by
another. A correspondent suggests that this sys-
tem should be applied to the Army Hospital Corps.
"Surely," he says, "there are many soldiers put-
ting up prescriptions who are without the experi-
ence or education of prescription clerks in reputa-
ble drug stores, and yet the check system is there
maintained, while we have none, though the most
dangerous drugs may be dispensed. Reform in this
will cost nothing except possibly a little inconven-
ience. To be effective it must apply to the whole
Army."

THE Commissary General of the Army has writ-
ten a letter to Congress calling attention to a
clause in the pending Army Appropriation bill,
which proposes to give contestants in rifle competi-
tions commutation of rations while at places of
contest. The existing law allows commutation
only in travelling to and from places of contest.
Gen. Du Barry recommends that this law be not
changed, as it is entirely practicable to furnish
rations in kind at the contests.

GENERAL GRANT always held, with others of our soldiers, that the Confederate strength on the battle fields of the Civil War was largely underestimated, and it will be remembered that McClellan was soundly abused for presenting what men regarded as exaggerated estimates of Confederate strength. Gen. Grant declared that the Confederates belittled their numbers in every important engagement. In the Century for March Mr. A. B. C. man makes a careful study of such information as can be obtained from Confederate and Southern State records, and he reaches the conclusion that the South had under arms during the war not far from 1,500,000 men or more than twice the force admitted, which was systematically understated. The Union total was 2,672,841 men, representing, allowing for re-enlistments, 2,200,000 men. Many of these were short service men, and many who enlisted in the last year of the war never reached the front, whereas in the South substantially all the fighting men were in the ranks long before the war ended. Mr. Casselman says: "In February, 1864, the law required the services of all white males between seventeen and fifty, 'for the war,' while boys under seventeen and men past fifty were organized into regiments of Junior and Senior Reserves. Even the 'free negroes' and a certain number of 'slaves' were held liable by this law for their performance of auxiliary military service."

The disparity in strength of the opposing armies was greatest in the last year of the war, and it never could have been very great until the last year. The Confederate government drew upon their resources far more rapidly than the North; they forced their fighting men early into the field; and this in part accounts for the heroic resistance against odds which they were enabled to display more conspicuously in the closing campaigns, when nine-tenths of the Confederate army were the seasoned veterans of many campaigns, while they were opposed, to a considerable extent, by raw recruits freshly drawn from the plentiful and unexhausted resources of the North."

The changes in stations of regiments announced this week are much less extensive than the Commanding General had hoped for or what he had anticipated in the light of an apparently liberal available balance in the transportation fund. Upon the advice of the Quartermaster-General, it was deemed unsafe, however, to authorize an expenditure of more than \$100,000 for transportation at the present time, and the movements were accordingly limited to an exchange between the 1st and 10th Cavalry, the assignment of four cavalry troops to Fort Sheridan to complete the garrison there, of Troop I, 10th Cavalry, to Fort Leavenworth as the relief of 1st Cavalry, so as to give Fort Leavenworth two colored and two white troops; of F, 7th Cavalry, to Fort Myer to complete the garrison there; of four companies, 9th Infantry, from Dept. of Arizona to Dept. of the East; of four companies, 11th Infantry, from Dept. of the East to Dept. of Arizona; of four companies, 6th Infantry, from New York to Fort Thomas, Ky.; of five companies, 21st Infantry, from the Dept. of the Platte to the Dept. of the East. General Schofield had planned for several transfers by marching, but if they were given up at the last moment because it was feared that they would not be made as economically as at first supposed. The movements of troops for 1892, of late foreshadowed, have assumed definite shape this week, as will be seen by the General Orders published elsewhere. The 1st Cavalry, which has been in Montana since 1884, goes to Arizona, and the 10th Cavalry, in Arizona since 1885, goes to Montana. A portion of the 21st U. S. Infantry, including regimental headquarters, in Nebraska and Wyoming since 1884, comes to Northern New York, and the portion of the 9th and 11th Infantry now absent from their regimental locality go to the East and Arizona, respectively. The companies of the 6th Infantry now in Northern New York go South to Fort Thomas, Newport, Ky., thus giving to that post almost the entire regiment, as originally intended. Fort Myer becomes a post of four troops of cavalry by the addition of Troop I, 7th Cavalry, and Fort Sheridan, Ill., is substantially increased by two troops of the 7th Cavalry and two Indian cavalry troops. This, taking it all in all, is a very fair pring movement.

The periodical detail and relief of line officers for and from duty at the Military Academy has been made this week, to take effect in August next. These details break up many pleasant associations, but such are the chances and changes of Army life.

Among several new projects Secretary Elkins has in view for the improvement of the military service is the development of the bureau of military intelligence. The progress of this important adjunct to the military establishment has been rather slow, solely because it has never received any special encouragement from the War Department. But the order appearing elsewhere shows that better times are in store for it. Mr. Elkins is deeply interested in its welfare, and being a man of progressive ideas we may soon look for its expansion to an extent that will make the office at least worthy of its title. For some time past there has been a contest between the Signal Corps and Adjutant General's Department for control of the office, the Chief Signal office claiming that the words "collecting and transmitting information for the Army by telegraph or otherwise," in the act of 1890, reorganizing the Signal Corps, placed the Military Intelligence Bureau under his control. But that act has never been so construed by the Secretary of War, and the office remains as originally established attached to the Adjutant General's Department. That the chief signal office has not yet given up the contest, however, is shown by the fact that the provision for the pay of the "clerk attendant in the collection and classification of military information" has been transferred in the pending Army appropriation bill from the provision for the "pay of the Army" to that part of the bill making appropriation for the Signal Corps. This item for the clerk coupled with the provision in last year's act authorizing the payment of mileage, etc., to officers collecting information from abroad are the only provisions of law in any way relating to the Intelligence Office. In the pending bill even the latter item has been left out, whether intentionally or by mistake as the result of the transfer of the item for the clerk has not been ascertained. It is the intention of the War Department, however, to recommend its restoration and also to have the provision for the clerk put back to its original position in the bill.

By the terms of the Order the Intelligence Office is continued as a branch of the Adjutant-General's Office, with its scope extended to include matters relating to the organization; the armament and inspection of militia; the preparation of plans for the mobilization and transportation of militia and volunteers and concentration of military forces at various strategic points on the frontiers, and the establishment and charge of a museum for the care of such military relics as are now preserved in the bureaus of the War Department. The topography of the country will be thoroughly studied and every road and water course will be examined with the view to ascertaining its fullest capacity for transporting troops in time of emergency, etc., moving or manœuvring them as occasion requires. Another important feature is that which gives the reorganized bureau full control of all militia matters. Mr. Elkins hopes for a more intimate connection between the Federal and State military organizations than has hitherto existed, and wants the full assistance of the bureau to bring about this result. Col. Robert Williams, A. A. G., has been assigned to charge of the reorganized division, with Major Wm. J. Volkmar as principal assistant. The division will continue its headquarters in the War Department, additional space will be allotted to it and the clerical force increased by details from other branches of the War Department. It is also expected that a number of active young lieutenants will be detailed to duty in the office at Washington, and there will probably be some additional details to duty abroad.

The Senate Military Committee, in its report on the bill S. 2306, to provide for the permanent preservation and custody of the records of the volunteer armies, etc., makes a strong argument in support of that measure. After a review of the work done by the Record and Pension division under its present management, and approving letters in advocacy of the bill by Secretary Elkins, Gen. Schofield and ex-Secretary Proctor, the committee say: "The dignity and importance of the office, which differs in no respect from other bureaus of the War Department so far as the military character of its work is concerned, demand this much at least. But when in addition to all this it is possible, incidentally, to recognize the services of the officer who organized this bureau and brought it to its present state of efficiency the objections to such action fade into insignificance."

CORNELL UNIVERSITY announces the establishment of a school of marine engineering and naval architecture as the first of a series of such special schools ordered by the Board of Trustees October, 1890. The object of the school is to provide courses of instruction and opportunities for research in such special branches of engineering as relate to the design, building, powering and propulsion of vessels of any and all types. A circular giving the

particulars of the course can be obtained by application to W. F. Durand, principal, Sibley College, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. This school is the first of its kind in the country to organize and prepare for work, and as such marks a step in the development of American technical education. Its organization is timely and needed in the United States, and no effort will be spared to make of it all that such a school should be, and to provide a high grade theoretical and practical series of courses on these subjects. We learned some time ago of the intention to establish this school, and we congratulate Prof. Thurston, Director of Sibley College, upon its inauguration. It is his conception, and he has had it in prospect ever since he took charge in 1885.

A LAD, fifteen years old, has succeeded in the well-known feat of making the British lion put his tail between his legs and howl with anguish. Walter Scott, a boy living in Dunkirk, N. Y., proves to have been the writer of the letter signed "Capt. Frank Scott, 38th Pennsylvania Rifles," which was printed by the London Times, with accompaniment of heavy comments, in reply to its fire-eating threats against the British Empire. The Times seems to have been particularly demoralized by this threat from the young American patriot. "The American people feel just like getting a blow at their old enemy, but of course they are friends as long as the English, and especially the newspapers, mind their own business." * * "Canada would be captured before you had time to act. Our Navy would compare very favorably with yours, and there would be a heavy blockading fleet of steel cruisers on your coast within five days. Liverpool would soon be captured or destroyed, and, as we could raise an army of nearly two million men in two months, your little island would soon be overrun."

In this connection we publish the following warning we receive from Washington. Perhaps it is an accusing conscience that disturbs the rest of the Times:

"From the Federal capital, in the midst of grandeur, where the Army and Navy should be, and is represented, I regret to have to inform you that we have no military power. We have in every field—yes, on every farm—in the Yankee States and in the great West, men that, like Gen. Putnam, would say to his little boy, 'Take this horse to your mother. I shall surely have to meet the English.' Even now, while you of America sleep on your soft beds, your old enemy, backed by Salisbury and 'Victoria Regina,' is in a conspiracy to break up a People's Government."

For the third time Congress has been called upon for authority to publish the valuable report of Naval Constr. Philip Hichborn on European dockyards. The two previous editions of 4,000 copies each were exhausted in a very short time after they were received from the Government printer, and the demands since for the book are so numerous that a bill has been introduced authorizing the publication of 4,000 more. It does not often happen that a Government publication runs through three editions. We congratulate Chief Constr. Hichborn upon his success as an author in addition to his many other accomplishments.

"A SOLDIER who soldiers" objects to the pay of non-commissioned officers being increased until the standard is raised and concludes a lengthy epistle to the Times on the subject by saying: "The howl for more pay is perfectly childish. If the Army must improve start at the bottom, ignore the howlers, shun them, give them a golden stripe if necessary for their vanity, but for Heaven's sake give them no more authority or money."

ACCORDING to returns made to the A. G. O., there were sixty-three desertions from the Army during the month of February, eight more than for the previous month and three less than for the corresponding month of 1891. The percentage of desertion to the strength of the Army for the year ending Feb. 29 is given as 5.7 per cent. against 7.5 per cent. for the previous year. The total enlisted strength on Feb. 29 was 24,575.

THE Commissioner of Pensions has this to say in connection with the much criticized legislation of recent years: "The great majority of the certificates now being issued are a boon to veterans in the great struggle for the Union, and many of these men would have gone to their graves in want but for the just, humane and timely enactment of the act of June 27, 1890."

SECRETARY ELKINS had several conferences this week with the President regarding the brigadier generalship, staff appointments and the Overman and Throckmorton Court-martial cases. It was supposed that all these cases would be disposed of before the end of the week, but at last accounts they were still under consideration.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS—FIRST SESSION.

The bill to include non-commissioned officers in Sec. 1216 in regard to the issue of certificates of merit for distinguished service is the first military measure to pass both Houses this session. The Military Academy Appropriation bill was one day earlier in passing the Senate, but as there are amendments yet to be adjusted by conference committee it cannot be regarded as having finally passed both Houses, while the first named has. The bill to increase the pay of privates of the Hospital Corps has also passed both Houses, but the amendment made by the House, reducing the amount provided in the Senate bill from \$19 to \$18, has not yet been adjusted. The following is the text of the act in regard to certificates of merit:

"That Section 1216, R. S., be, and is hereby, amended to read:

"Sec. 1216. That when any enlisted man of the Army shall have distinguished himself in the Service, the President may, at the recommendation of the commanding officer of the regiment or the chief of the corps to which such enlisted man belongs, grant him a certificate of merit."

The Senate Military Committee cleared its calendar of a good deal of business at its meeting on Thursday last. Most of the measures acted upon, however, were of a private and unimportant nature, the only two of interest being the House bill giving non-commissioned officers the same privileges regarding certificates of merit now enjoyed by privates and the Senate bill for the restoration and retirement of D. W. Ransom, late captain, 3d Art. Favorable action was taken on all the pending nominations, which embrace the promotions in the Subsistence and Medical Departments consequent upon the retirements of Cois. Bell and Norris.

The following is the text of the amendment for the increase of the Navy intended to be proposed by the Senate Naval Committee to the Naval Appropriation bill when that measure reaches the Senate from the House: "That, for the purpose of further increasing the Naval Establishment of the United States, the President is hereby authorized to have constructed, by contract, three battleships of 7,500 to 10,000 tons displacement, two armored coast defense vessels, five gunboats of 800 to 1,200 tons displacement, and eight first class torpedo boats. In the contracts for the construction of said vessels such provisions for increased speed and the premium for the same shall be made as in the discretion of the Secretary of the Navy may be deemed advisable. In the construction of all of said vessels all the provisions of the act of Aug. 3, 1886, shall be observed and followed, and said vessels shall be built in compliance with the terms of said act, save that in all their parts said vessels shall be of domestic manufacture. If the Secretary of the Navy shall be unable to contract at reasonable prices for the building of any of said vessels, then he may build such vessel or vessels, or any part of any such vessel, in such navy-yards as he may designate. Toward the construction of the vessels herein authorized, with their engines, boilers and machinery, the sum of \$3,000,000 is hereby appropriated, and toward the armament of said ships the sum of \$1,000,000 is hereby appropriated, of which sums \$500,000 may be expended for experimentation, development of torpedoes, and in the procurement of standard torpedoes and other instruments of submarine warfare."

The Senate Appropriation Committee has reported the Military Academy Appropriation bill to the Senate with a number of amendments, restoring to the bill some of the items cut down by the House. As reported by the Senate Committee the bill appropriates \$436,827, being \$38,162 in excess of the amount passed by the House. The salaries of the clerks are restored to the present amount, and an appropriation of \$48,250 for enlarging and increasing the gas plant is included. A reduction is made in the amount for the equipment of the new gymnasium from \$3,176 to \$1,700, and several other minor reductions made.

In reporting favorably the bill to remit the penalties on the dynamite cruiser *Vesuvius*, the Senate Naval Committee takes the ground that the Government suffered no damage by the delay in the completion of the vessel, and that time ran against the contractors while they were engaged in a laudable work of giving the Government a vessel of much greater dimensions and guns of larger calibre than the contract called for.

The bill to relieve Col. Daniel McClure from the indebtedness standing on the Treasury books against him was passed by the Senate March 16.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs report favorably the bill to give Rear Admiral Jouett the full pay of his rank, for the reason that they consider it "just and right in view of the gallant and meritorious services of Admiral Jouett. He served with especial distinction during the war, and was more than once conspicuous for his heroic conduct in battle. Although recommended by a board of admirals, 25 years ago, for an advancement of thirty numbers for his gallant conduct, the promotion was never made. His eminent, conspicuous, and signal acts of gallantry entitle him to some appropriate and special recognition. He has never received that reward by advancement in rank."

In the Senate, March 16, Mr. Casey (Rep. N. D.) introduced a bill to restore to active service (when necessary) Army officers on the retired list who have recovered from their disabilities.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs, March 16, had under consideration, for the first time this session, the bill transferring the Revenue Cutter Service to the Navy Department, and decided, after giving due weight to the letters of Secretary Foster, who opposes the measure, and of Secretary Tracy, who advocates it, to adopt all the recommendations made in Secretary Tracy's letter of some weeks ago, which practically puts the bill in the same form as that which passed the House last session, but failed in the Senate just before the adjournment of that body. The committee has heard arguments by both sides, and it is almost the unanimous opinion of its members that the measure is desirable for both services and should pass. The bill will no doubt be favorably reported to the Senate. Senator Gray (Dem., Del.) its champion, thinks there will be no serious opposition to it, and looks for its ultimate passage.

The Senate Naval Committee, at its meeting on Wednesday, decided to report the Hale bill (S. 1867), for the construction of naval vessels, as an amendment to the Naval Appropriation bill, when that

measure comes over from the House. They have also decided to modify the provision in the bill authorizing an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for experiment and purchase of torpedoes, so as to permit experiments with other instruments of submarine warfare.

A bill for the restoration of Thomas P. O'Reilly, late 1st lieutenant, 23d Infantry, to the rank which he would now enjoy had he remained in the Army (captain, 23d Infantry), has been reported favorably by the House Military Committee.

A bill (H. R. 12582) authorizing the retirement of the surviving members of the Lady Franklin Bay Expedition has received favorable action at the hands of the House Military Committee. The men it is sought to benefit by this bill are Sergts. Francis Long and Maurice Connell, who are now in the Signal Corps of the Army.

The House Committee on Military Affairs adopted a resolution to report no bills for the establishment of new branches of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. The pension act of 1890 has resulted in putting many persons formerly in these homes on an independent basis so that they are able to support themselves. This makes room for new inmates of the homes. It is believed, therefore, the maximum number of homes required has been reached.

Adverse reports have been made by the House Military Committee on the following bills: H. R. 97, to amend the military records of all honorably discharged soldiers who enlisted under assumed names by substituting their correct names; H. R. 107, to equalize the bounties of soldiers of the late war; H. R. 332, that officers in the Union Army of the War of the Rebellion who were prevented from being mustered by a general order from the War Department prohibiting officers of the line from being mustered when their companies were not up to the maximum shall be entitled to the pay of the grade to which they were commissioned; H. R. 5581, for the payment of bounties to veterans who were promoted after re-enlistment; H. R. 3735, to issue commissions to those soldiers of the late war who were entitled to be promoted to the rank of 2d lieutenant, but who were not so promoted because their companies fell below the minimum of 66 men.

The Army Appropriation bill was under consideration by the House for a short time on Monday last—long enough to give Mr. Holman a chance to indicate his intention to advocate a reduction in several features of the bill, especially Army transportation and the amount for the payment of civilian employees in the several staff departments. In speaking on the latter point Mr. Holman said that soldiers could be detailed to do much of the clerical work now performed and thereby cause a great saving. Mr. Outhwaite thought that the enlisted men now engaged in such employment was too large, as the effective force of the Army was decreased thereby. No action was taken on the provision. After the adoption of the proviso, giving sergeants of ordnance the same allowance of clothing provided for other sergeants of the staff and the expression of a purpose on the part of Mr. Outhwaite to transfer the item for the clerk of Military Intelligence office from the Signal Corps to its original place in the bill the House adjourned.

House bills 5561, appropriating \$20,000 for the purchase of a site for harbor defence at San Diego, Cal., and 6649, to extend the period for settlement of bounty claims of officers and men of volunteer forces for three years were discussed and favorably acted upon by the House Military Committee at its session this week.

The House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries have agreed to report Representative Fithian's bill for the free admission to American registry of ships built in foreign countries after Jan. 1, 1893. A minority report in opposition to the bill will also be made.

Representative Cutting's bill to promote the efficiency of the militia, was favorably acted upon by the House Committee on the Militia March 16. The bill makes a complete revision of the laws relating to the militia, and makes them conform to modern military practice. The bill increases from \$400,000 to \$600,000 the annual appropriation on account of the militia.

The House Committee on Militia has decided to make a favorable report on the Cutting bill (H. R. 6489), to promote the efficiency of the militia. The amount proposed to be appropriated by the bill is fixed at \$600,000, an increase of \$200,000 over the present amount—\$400,000 less than the bill contemplated as at first introduced.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

S. 2616, Casey. That an officer of the United States Army, having been retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto, shall, upon furnishing a certificate of restored health, made by a reputable physician, within two years after the date of such retirement, be examined by a board composed of three medical officers of the Army, as to his physical capacity, and should such officer be found physically able to resume active service in the arm from which he was retired, he may, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, be restored to active service in said arm, without the loss of rank or date of commission: *Provided*, That in the meantime he has not reached the retirement age, and that no claim for difference between active and retired pay, covering the period of retirement, be valid.

S. 2536, Hawley (by request). To appropriately mark and preserve the battle field of Gettysburg.

H. R. 6949, Clancy. That on and after the passage of this bill there shall be allowed and paid to each commissioned officer of the U. S. Revenue Cutter Service 10 per cent. of his current yearly pay for each term of five years of service; but the total amount of such increase shall in no case exceed 40 per cent. on the yearly pay of the grade as provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the provisions of the preceding section shall apply to the pilots who have served continuously for five years and are now employed in the U. S. Revenue Cutter Service.

H. R. 7028, Cochrane. Grants registers as vessels of the United States of vessels not less than 8,000 tons and a speed of not less than 20 knots, sailing from a United States port in an established line where 50 per cent. of the stock of the company was owned Jan. 1, 1890, and since by citizens of the United States. The American owners agreeing to build in American shipyards steamships equal in tonnage to the vessels already possessed. Steamships so registered may be taken and used by the United States as cruisers or transports upon payment of their fair actual value as determined by appraisement.

H. Res. 101, Shively. To construe word allowances in the act of Congress approved Feb. 14, 1885, provid-

ing for a retired list for non-commissioned officers and privates of the U. S. Army and Marine Corps, to include quarters and fuel as well as rations and clothing, and that there shall be paid to all enlisted men who have been retired, or who shall hereafter be retired, in accordance with law, commutation for quarters and fuel for the entire term of said retirement, in the amount prescribed by the above-named act and at a rate of 75 per cent. of the rate prescribed under authority of the Secretary of War for other enlisted men to whom commutation of quarters and fuel had been paid at the date of the passage of said act.

LATE ARMY ORDERS.

Lieut. John N. Glass, 6th Cav., is relieved from recruiting service at Jefferson Bks. and ordered to join his regiment. Sick leave is granted Capt. Egbert B. Savage, 8th Inf., for two months. The sick leave granted Capt. Edmund Luff, 8th Cav., is extended until May 31. The resignation of Lieut. T. P. DeWitt, post surgeon, is accepted, to take effect May 16 next.

Instructions in callisthenics, prepared by Herman J. Koehler, swordmaster of the Military Academy, and "Troops in Campaign," being a revision of the old regulations, are the subjects of two publications now in the hands of the Public Printer, which will shortly be issued to the Army.

The nominations of Thos. S. Jewett and Frank L. Arms, to be assistant paymasters in the Navy, have been confirmed, the Navy Department having notified the Senate Naval Committee that they have been examined and found qualified for their duties by a board of paymasters. Their commissions will be issued to them this week. Appointments to the three remaining vacancies may be looked for at an early date.

LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER OSCAR W. FAHRENHOLT and Lieut. (Jr. Gr.) Francis H. Sherman are undergoing examination for promotion this week. They successfully passed their physical examination on Wednesday.

It is understood that Commander General D. Ide, U. S. N., will be assigned to duty as member of Inspection Board at New York, on relief of Commander T. A. Lyons in August next.

GENERAL WESLEY MERRITT, U. S. A., visiting in New York City this week, is quoted as saying: "We are all greatly gratified in the Army at the splendid bequest of Gen. Cullum to the Military Academy. He has set an example which will probably be followed by other graduates of the Academy, though, I am sorry to say, wealth is not the rule among Army officers."

COLONEL WILLIAM CHASE was elected president of the Society of the Sons of the Revolution, at the annual meeting held at Boston March 17.

MAJOR GENERAL N. A. MILES, U. S. A., is visiting at Washington, D. C., and was in consultation this week with Major General Schofield in regard to movements of troops.

Mrs. JANE O. MILLER and her daughter, Miss Kitty Miller, after spending a few days with Capt. A. M. Wetherill and family at Fort Wood, left on Wednesday for Kingston, N. Y., en route to their home in Detroit, Mich.

The following Army officers registered at the War Department this week: Capt. Wm. R. Steinmetz, retired; 1st Lieut. J. A. Dapray, 23d Inf., and R. J. C. Irvine, 11th Inf.; Capt. Wm. Baird, 6th Cav.; Lt. Col. E. B. Beaumont, 3d Cav.; Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles.

LIEUTENANT J. H. MOORE, who has successfully managed the affairs of the Hotchkiss Ordnance Company in this country for the past four years, will shortly relinquish those duties for a tour of sea duty. He has been assigned to duty on the *Thetis*.

THE NEW YORK *Herald* of Sunday, March 13, has an interesting personal account of Hon. Stephen B. Elkins, Secretary of War, of whom it says: "He is known to the world largely as a business man and as a politician, but he is in reality a man of broad views, great culture and remarkable ability. He is one of the best talkers in Washington, an eloquent speaker, and his business sense is such that at fifty he is prospectively one of the richest men in the United States."

RECENT DEATHS.

Mrs. MERRELL, wife of Capt. W. H. Merrell, U. S. Army, retired, died March 13 at New York city. The funeral services took place on Tuesday, after which the remains were taken to Rochester, N. Y., for interment.

GENERAL DUDLEY S. STEELE, commander of the 1st Brigade of the New Jersey National Guard, who died March 12 at East Orange, N. J., had a distinguished record as a soldier and citizen. He was buried with military honors on Wednesday, Gov. Abbott and other State dignitaries being present.

THE Naval Examining Board resumed consideration of the case of Comdr. Frederick R. Smith this week, a reply to the interrogatories sent to Rear Admiral Belknap having been received. With one exception, it is said, all the officers under whom Comdr. Smith served have made reports unfavorable to his promotion.

THE Ordnance and Fortification Board has postponed its visit to Fort Wadsworth to witness the trial of the Ericsson subaqueous torpedo until after the regular monthly meeting, which will be held in Washington March 21. There is nothing of special moment booked for the next meeting.

WORK is being rushed on the naval practice cruiser *George Bancroft*. Chief Engineer Melville has inspected the vessel, and expresses himself as highly pleased with its condition. The engines are completed, and are now being set up at the shipyard. The vessel will be ready for launching about the middle of April, and the contractors say they will be able to turn the cruiser entirely finished over to the Government about the middle of July.

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WITH March 15, company drills, held in the area of barracks, began. The beginning of drill is usually regarded as one of the signs of the near approach of spring. This season ice cutting is in progress simultaneously. The ice which is now being out on the ponds is six inches thick. The crop now being harvested, is, we believe, the latest ever stored here. Since the beginning of Lent the post has been very quiet. Officers' concerts every other Wednesday and cadets' concerts every other Saturday evening take place as usual.

At the Soldiers' chapel services are held by Rev. Dr. Thomas on Tuesday evenings, and by Rev. Father O'Keefe, or his assistant, Rev. Father Bourke, on Wednesday evenings during the season.

Cadet Joseph F. Durkin, 4th Class, has been granted leave of absence until August 25, on which date he will be examined by a medical board to determine as to his physical qualifications to continue as a cadet at the Military Academy.

Capt. Edward S. Godfrey, 7th Cav., and Lieut. John S. Sewell, Engineers, have been among officers recently visiting the post.

The attention of cadets of the first two classes is very agreeably engaged on Saturday afternoons at this season with the selection of uniforms, etc.

We understand that a portrait of Gen. Stewart Van Vleet will shortly be added to the number which adorn the walls of Grant Hall.

Cadet Daniel Duncan, of the 4th Class, has been granted a short leave.

ORDNANCE NOTES.

Considering the subject of high velocity in field guns the *Saturday Review* says: "The situation is this—if you insist on high velocity you have to add so much additional machinery to your gun carriage and have to so greatly strengthen its construction that you destroy its mobility, while even if you gain a long range you are still unable to make use of your most efficient projectile at it. Moreover, since the remaining velocity of its shrapnel is a truer measure of a gun than its initial velocity, and the two are by no means directly proportional, it does not follow that we benefit as much as we might expect by submitting to these disadvantages. Thus, the 12-pounder has an initial velocity of over 1,700 feet per second and a remaining velocity at 5,000 yards of 862 feet; while the 13 pounder, with an initial velocity of only 1,560 feet, has at the same range a remaining velocity greater by 6 feet per second than that of its rival. One of our highest authorities on field artillery has, indeed, recorded its opinion that, as regards the efficiency of shrapnel, we gain nothing by the increased muzzle velocity of 'the best field gun in Europe' at all practical ranges. Moreover, it is the attempt to squeeze out the last few extra feet that does all the harm."

The *Neue Militärische Blätter* publishes figures to show that since Waterloo improvements in firearms have had a beneficial tendency. Thus, at Kollin (1757) the Prussians lost 40 per cent., at Zornjorf (1758) 38 per cent., and at Kunersdorf (1759) 40 per cent. The loss of the Austrians at Aspern (1809) was 30 per cent., and of the French about 50 per cent. At Borodino (1812), both sides lost about 30 per cent., and at Waterloo British losses are given as 25 per cent. Coming to a more recent period, the Prussians lost but 4 per cent. at Koniggratz, while the loss of the Austrians was 11 per cent. The following are the percentages given of the losses of the Germans in the war of 1870: Worth, 12; Spicheren, 18; Mars la Tour, 22; Gravelotte, 10; Sedan, 43. Individual corps, however, suffered much more severely. The Chasseurs of the Prussian Guard lost 46 per cent. at St. Privat; the 16th Infantry Regiment lost 37 per cent., and the 82d Infantry Regiment 38 per cent. at Mars la Tour.

The German doctor, Dr. Billroth, in a recent lecture on the wounded in war, estimates that of the casualties at Weissenburg and Worth during the Franco-German war, 80 per cent. of all the wounded were caused by rifles, about 15 per cent. by the large guns, and not quite 5 per cent. by the lance and sword. In reply to him, Mr. Archibald Forbes says that the statistics for the whole of the war on the German side prove that over 90 per cent. were due to rifle fire, about 9 per cent. to artillery, and about 1 per cent. to cold steel. The smallness of the mortality from the French artillery is explained by the fact that their artillery was notoriously badly served. Dr. Billroth believes that the future will see a still greater proportion of deaths resulting from rifle fire than from shell. Mr. Forbes points out that in doing so, no account has been taken of the probable use of highly destructive explosives in the shells of the future.

At Gibraltar, Feb. 12, the Infantry Brigade and Royal Artillery were exercised in the defence of the fortress from a supposed sea attack. The fire was delivered against barrels to represent ships, and rafts as an imaginary flotilla of boats anchored out in the bay. The infantry lined the sea front from Wellington Front southwards, detachments of artillery with machine guns being placed at intervals. A very heavy fire was then brought to bear on the floating targets. The men of the King's Royal Rifle Corps used the Lee magazine rifle for the first time. Judging from the manner in which the firing was conducted, both by the infantry and artillery, an enemy attacking the fortress under the supposed conditions would have been completely defeated.

The Ordnance Department of the Army has recently concluded a very successful trial at Sandy Hook with the new time fuses for 3.2 siege guns manufactured at the Frankford Arsenal. The tests were made to determine difference in rate of burning at rest and in flight, so that the fuses can be graduated at any rate for any given flight. Remarkable uniformity at time and rate of burning was developed with four of the shells, with the time fuse attached fired at 200 yards range, the extreme variation in range between points of burst was 30 feet.

All four burst in a space of 10 yards, corresponding to three one-hundredths part of a second. With five others fired at 900 yards range—the velocity being higher—the extreme variation between burst was 150 feet, corresponding to an interval in time of one-tenth of a second.

The suit of Chas. A. Hotchkiss and his wife Anna, of Middletown, Conn., against Dwight Hotchkiss and Dorothy A. McKelvey, of the same city, and Fred A. Hotchkiss, of Sharon, in which \$1,400,000 was involved, has been settled out of court. They are brothers and sisters, and the suit was over the settlement of the \$12,000,000 estate of the late Benjamin Berkeley Hotchkiss, the inventor of the Hotchkiss rifle and magazine field gun, who died in Paris on Feb. 14, 1885.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

U. S. M. C.—A soldier honorably discharged from the Army is paid a day's pay, and commutation of rations at 30 cents per day, for every 20 miles to the place of enlistment.

T. V.—A soldier cannot demand his discharge by purchase. It is discretionary with the War Department, under the rules established by the President, to grant it or refuse it.

C.—Recruits of the Regular Army are now being drilled at the new drill regulations, and to some extent the duty soldiers. It will not be long before the system is universal.

C.—Write to Capt. W. R. R. Fisher, assistant surgeon, U. S. A., Governor's Island, N. Y., who will be the Recorder of the Army Medical Examining Board to meet at the Army Building, N. Y. City, April 1.

Barrack 25.—The Senators from the State of New Jersey are—J. R. McPherson, Rufus Blodgett; and the representatives are—C. A. Cadmus, C. A. Bergen, T. D. English, Samuel Fowler, J. A. Geisenhauser, E. F. McDonald.

Rez.—We cannot tell you now who will be the next Adjutant General of the Army. We have not the gift of prophecy and the question is premature, as General Kelton does not retire until June 31 next. But rest assured that the very earliest information on the subject will be found in the columns of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL.

Ex Soldier asks: Is a Government employee allowed to hold a civil office, such as postmaster or police officer, or any office whilst employed by the Government at monthly or daily pay? *Ans.*—We know of no law against it. Of course, no interference with his duties to the Government could be permitted. Many Government employees are notaries public, and a notary public is a civil officer.

Probe asks: Does the War Department always adhere to the principle announced in G. O. 41, of 1890, that details for recruiting duty will be made from those officers who are shown to have rendered the most efficient service in the care and improvement of their commands? *Ans.*—We know of no particular departure from this rule. We have searched the roster of officers on recruiting service, and find them to be all good men and true.

B.—To our mind A. R. 864 is plain, that commanders of companies when leaving a post in one Department for a post in another Department, shall leave behind them the files of printed orders. But, in any event, Lieut. General Sheridan, in letter from A. G. O., dated Nov. 8, 1887, directed certain companies of a certain regiment who did to away files of printed orders to return them to the post from which they were taken.

Enquirer says: A. R. 115, par. 3, permits transfer of enlisted men from one department of the staff to another. In what manner should a sergeant of the post non-com. staff apply for such transfer, say from post quartermaster to commissary sergeant? *Ans.*—To the Adjutant General of the Army, through his immediate commander. The reasons for the application should be stated in full. As to the result, we do not venture an answer to an unasked question.

Cautious writes: I enlisted in 1883, deserted in 1887, enlisted again in 1887, was discharged Oct. 8, 1890, under G. O. 80 and 81, enlisted again Oct. 12, 1891, what would be the result if I were now to surrender? *Ans.*—Much would depend upon the character of your present and former service. If good, you might get off with a light sentence; if your present commanders were to recommend it, you might be restored to duty without trial. At any rate, surrender. By doing so you may somewhat distress your body, but will ease your mind.

Inquirer asks: A private of the Hospital Corps marries, asks his discharge as being a married man, his request is not granted. Can he demand his discharge after three years and three months service, or will his services be considered as not faithful, having married in defiance of orders? *Ans.*—We scarcely think the matrimonial action referred to would of itself be considered as sufficient cause to stamp the character of the antecedent service as unfaithful. But our advice to all soldiers is to live faithfully and conscientiously within the rules and regulations.

R.—The act approved October 1, 1890, provides, among other things, "that in the line of the Army all officers now above the grade of 3d lieutenants shall, subject to such examination, be entitled to promotion in accordance with existing laws and regulations." If this clause be repealed, then the law simply requires that "promotion to every grade in the Army below the rank of brigadier general, throughout each arm, corps or department of the Service, shall be made according to seniority in the next grade of that arm, corps or department."

Exchange.—The derivation of the English "canteen" is doubtful. The French cantine (Italian, cantina), a cellar or cave seems to have had priority of the English word. A Scotch paper, a few years ago, however, gave the following unique explanation of the word: "A canteen is a vessel in which soldiers during a campaign carry water or other fluids. When the Duke of Marlborough's army was in Flanders they called this vessel a tin can. The French adopted the vessel into their army, and, in accordance with the genius of their language, they placed the adjective after the noun, making it a can-tin, pronounced canteen. In this form the English again took the word from the French, and canteen it must ever remain."

J. O. D. J. asks: The least number of men and method of procedure necessary to form a troop of National Guard Cavalry in New York State? Also what quarters and equipments are furnished by the State? *Ans.*—No provision is made in a troop will be entertained at General Headquarters. Troop A was accepted principally on the ground that it was believed to be advisable to have a school for cavalry, and that in Capt. Roe a thoroughly competent instructor had been secured. There is no occasion for another school, and no such demand for cavalry as would justify the extraordinary expense it involves. The military authorities have no power under the law to furnish quarters. No equipments can be provided, for the reason that there are none in stock and no money to purchase them. The appropriations are insufficient for the present force. The appropriations should be increased or the numbers reduced. There is no promise that the appropriations will be so increased as to warrant the luxury of cavalry.

THE STATE TROOPS.

Seventh New York.—Colonel D. Appleton.

THE regiment will parade at its armory in full uniform (white trousers, for review by the Hon. Hugh J. Grant, Mayor of the City of New York, and for the annual presentation of the Cross of Honor for long and faithful service Thursday, March 31, at 8 o'clock P. M. Admission (except for officers and members of the regiment in uniform) will be by ticket only.

The detail for guard will be as follows: Officer of the day, Capt. Geo. W. Hand; officers of the guard, Lieuts. Harry M. Nesbitt and Frederick Van Lennep; five corporals and fifty privates. Adjutant's call for guard mounting will be sounded at 7 o'clock P. M.

The following named officers and members of the regiment have qualified for the Cross of Honor in bronze, or for the silver or gold bar to cross, and will receive the same at the public presentation, March 31: Gold bar to Cross of Honor (20 years' service)—Col. Daniel Appleton, Lieuts. Walter G. Sewall and John W. McDonald and H. C. DuVal, Priv. John A. Hunt. Silver bar to Cross of Honor (15 years' service)—Capt. James Thorne Harper, Lieut. Geo. H. Gould, Sergts. Edwin C. Ray and N. Malon Hookwith, and Priv. Geo. J. Sontag. Cross of Honor in bronze (10 years' service)—Lieuts. Chas. F. Bement and Harry E. Zittel, Sergts. Alfred M. Hearn, Frank Koch, Chas. L. Comfort and Francis C. Harriman, Corp. John R. Cummings, Henry H. Arthur and Clement F. Muller. Priv. Robt. F. Morrissey, August Bertrand, James Spies, Horace E. Fox, Edward C. Schoonmaker, Allan D. Dederick, John A. Livingston, Robt. E. Holt, Jr., and Miles C. Palmer. The following named qualified, during the past year, for the Cross of Honor in gold, with figure "T" in brilliant (25 years' service): Capt. Geo. B. Rhoads. The following named drummers are qualified for the Field Musicians' Long Service Medal in bronze, viz.: Geo. Colyer and Geo. H. McGowan.

Col. Francis V. Greene, comdr. 71st Regt., N. G. S. N. Y., having accepted an invitation from the commanding officer to use the armory of this regiment upon the occasion of the review of that regiment by the brigade commander on the evening of April 5, a guard will be mounted at 7 o'clock P. M., and will be constituted as follows: Officer of the day, Capt. Willard C. Fish; officers of the guard, Lieuts. J. Watson Cochran and James E. Schuyler, two sergeants, three corporals and 50 privates. Admission to the drill room (except for officers and members of the 71st Regt. in uniform) will be by ticket only.

The results of the team of five match, shot at the armory range, are as follows:

	Total, 1st Comp'n.	2d Comp'n.	Agg.
	Dec. 12 '91.	Feb. 12 '92.	
Co. C.	311	330	641
Co. A.	315	314	629
Co. B.	312	313	625
Co. D.	306	312	618
Co. E.	310	308	618
Co. H.	306	310	616
Co. G.	305	311	616
Co. I.	306	305	611
Co. D.	309	301	610
F. S. and M. C. S.	293	314	607
Co. E.	291	304	595

Priv. J. A. Jenkins, Co. B, won a sharpshooters' medal. Score: 23 34—66.

Twelfth New York.—Colonel H. Dowd.

THAT the regiment is fully capable of giving a first-class exhibition, and that its old-time success, both military and socially, is not lacking, was fully demonstrated at the review by Major-Gen. Josiah Porter, adjutant general, which took place at the regimental armory on the evening of March 11. The appearance of the regiment, the smoothness and rapidity of the formations, and the correct observation of the various details as laid down in the new drill book were especially noteworthy, and aside from being pleasing, proved a valuable object lesson to many officers present among the large and select audience, especially those military men who were "looking for points."

As the manner of formation in the Twelfth differs somewhat from others we have seen, the brief description of it here given may not be uninteresting. The formation of companies being completed they were conducted to the east side of the drill hall, the companies of each battalion being massed separately. First adjutant's call being sounded the regiment formed in three battalions in successive lines, on the right companies as a base. The colors were in the centre battalion. The formation of each battalion was very prompt, each adjutant presenting his battalion to his major in excellent shape. The division of the regiment was as follows:

First Battalion.—Major Robt. W. Leonard, commanding. Companies C, D and E. Lt. N. Morris, Co. F, adjutant, and Sergt. J. W. Berry, Co. K, sergt.-major.

Second Battalion.—Capt. Charles S. Burns, commanding. Companies A, B, I and K. Lt. C. Elliott Warren, Co. A, adjutant, and Sergt. J. H. Nozaglia, sergt.-major.

Third Battalion.—Capt. William H. Kirby, commanding. Companies F, G and H. Lt. A. E. Kuman, Co. G, adjutant, and Sergt. D. Galliard, sergt.-major.

The first formation being completed second adjutant's call was sounded, and each battalion simultaneously executed four right, then changed direction to the left, and promptly formed in line of masses on the third battalion as a base for review. The formation was a rapid and handsome one, the guides were well posted, and Adjutant J. M. Wainwright turned the regiment over to Col. Dowd or perfect shape. A handsome "present" being given the reviewing officer, Gen. Porter, the latter then started on his tour around the regiment, accompanied by Gen. S. F. Whitlock, Inspector General of Rifle Practice; Gen. J. M. Varian, Chief of Ordnance; Gen. F. R. Bailey, Paymaster General; Gen. T. H. McGrath, Inspector General; Col. W. J. Harding, Asst. Insp. General, and Col. J. Rappert, Jr., and Thos. E. Sloan, A. D. C. Col. Dowd and staff placing themselves on the right of the reviewing officer and staff.

For the passage in review each battalion changed direction by the left flank, then executed four right, advancing toward the west side of the drill hall, and then by fours left formed in company front. Nearing the south end of the hall each battalion successively broke into column of fours, and changed direction to the left. Each company successively upon reaching the southeasterly corner of the hall executed four left, forming company front for the passage, the reviewing point being on the easterly side of the hall at its centre.

Having passed the reviewing point and reaching the northern end of hall, each company executed left turn and at about half distance across the end of the armory broke successively into column of fours, and were conducted by company commanders back to their original position in mass of companies. The showing made was first class in every particular and well deserved the praise given by Gen. Porter and other members of the Governor's staff. After a short interval 1st adjutant's call for dress parade was sounded, the original formations of the battalions being precisely the same as explained for the review. The formation of each battalion, as before, was rapid and smooth, and while almost simultaneous, it was noticeable, however, that Adj. Charles Elliott Warren, of the second battalion, at each formation was the first to present his battalion to his major. At second adjutant's call, which was for dress parade, the first and second battalions broke to the right into columns of fours. The first battalion changed direction to the left, to the south end of the armory, where it again changed direction to the left, and executed four right, which brought it into position in line on the south side of the hall. The second battalion changed direction to the left, the head of the column advancing to a point opposite

site where its left would rest when formed. The battalion then made two changes of direction to the left and continued the march until the head of the column reached a point where its right was to rest, when it wheeled by fours to the right, which brought the battalion in line on the westerly side of the hall. The third battalion remained on its original ground at the north end of the armory. This brought the line of dress parade extending around three sides of the armory. The details of the ceremony were splendidly executed. The manual was very fair, but not as good as the regiment is capable of—especially the order. During the ceremony the following were presented with medals for long and faithful service: Gold medal, for 20 years' service, to 1st Sergt. Geo. D. Gaillard, Co. F. Bronze medals, for 10 years' service, to Capt. Edw. C. Smith, Co. A; Sergt.-Major Augustus Kingsland, N. C. S.; Band Leader Frederick Leiboldt, N. C. S.; Q. M. Sergt. Geo. W. Frothingham, Co. H, and Pvt. Clifford Avery, Co. A.

Co. B having made the highest score of merit in rifle practice at Creedmoor during the season of 1891, was paraded to the front. Capt. Burns in command, and formally presented with the Butt trophy, Gen. Porter congratulating the company on its good work. The figure of merit of Co. B was 123.4. In connection with this shooting, the work of Co. F, Capt. W. H. Murphy, is deserving of special note, as it stood second best with a figure of merit of 118.4. Co. B also received the Riber trophy, won in armory competition. On conclusion of dress parade each company marched in command of its 1st sergeant as in review and was then dismissed. The military work of the evening from beginning to end was highly creditable to all concerned. The execution of all the movements, given in detail above, were prompt and without any confusion. The intervals between files and the distances between fours and battalions were well high perfect. Officers and men were snappy and alert in their duties, the steadiness of the men when at attention was commendable, and the military critics present expressed themselves in the most favorable terms. After an enjoyable promenade-concert by the regimental band, came an order of 12 dances, which was largely participated in, the music under bandmaster Leiboldt being exceptionally good. Lieut. Henry G. Paine, as officer of the guard, proved himself a most capable officer for that position. The various committees are also deserving of a word of praise for the thorough and intelligent manner in which they performed their work. They were: Reception Committee—Major E. W. Leonard, chairman. Floor Committee—Lieut. J. H. Cockburn, chairman. Press Committee—Capt. W. H. Murphy, chairman. Committee of Arrangements—Capt. Chas. S. Burns, Capt. W. H. Kirby, Lieut. H. G. Paine, Lieut. R. S. Minturn, Lieut. A. J. Griffin and Lieut. J. H. Cockburn.

The entire affair was one of the most enjoyable and best conducted of the kind the regiment has given in some years. The members of the Governor's staff and other officers were properly entertained at the conclusion of the ceremonies.

COMING EVENTS.

We have received notification of the following:

- March 21.—Promenade concert and reception, Co. K, 9th N. Y., Lexington Avenue Opera House, 58th street near 3d avenue, N. Y. City.
- March 21.—Drill, review and reception 1st Battery, N. Y. Cadet Corps, at armory, West 44th st., N. Y. City.
- March 22.—Annual fencing competition, for amateur championship of U. S., Berkeley Lyceum, 19 West 44th st., N. Y. City.
- March 24.—Review of 33d N. Y., at armory, Brooklyn, by Mayor Boody.
- March 24.—Athletic games, 23d N. Y., at Armory.
- March 26.—Athletic games, 8th N. Y., at Armory, N. Y. City.
- March 29.—Review of the 47th N. Y., at armory.
- March 31.—Review of 7th N. Y., at armory.
- April 2.—Athletic games, 7th N. Y., at armory.
- April 5.—Review of 71st N. Y., at armory of 7th Regiment by Gen. Fitzgerald.
- April 9.—Athletic games 23d N. Y., at armory.
- April 19.—Athletic games, 12th N. Y., at Armory, N. Y. City.
- April 22.—Review of 8th N. Y., at armory.

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MASSACHUSETTS.

At last the order has been issued authorizing our troops to drill according to the new Drill Regulations, while the Naval Battalion are authorized to drill according to the system of drill prescribed by the Navy Department. The regiments will be immediately divided into battalions. Right and left general guides and markers will be returned to companies or discharged. Hereafter officers will be allowed to wear the Regular Army overcoat when on duty. Col. Chase will act as inspector-general and inspections will occur at once, due allowance being made for the fact that all organizations have not as yet become very familiar with the new Regulations. Capt. Dyer, Co. C, 1st, has resigned. It is said that Capt. Daitinger, Co. H, will soon be promoted, and that ex-Capt. Fessenden will take his place. The medals which the State has provided for distinguished marksmen have been cast aside and Col. Chase is having new ones made at his own expense.

Adjutant General Samuel Dalton, of Massachusetts announces under date of March 12, among other things, that "the new drill regulations for infantry, published for the use of the Regular Army and the militia of the States by the War Department, will hereafter and until otherwise ordered be used by the militia of Massachusetts. The cavalry and artillery arms of the Service will continue the use of Upton's Tactics until such time as the new drill regulations for those arms are published and issued. The system of drill prescribed by the Navy Department is adopted, and will be used by the Naval Battalion, M. V. M. Regimental commanders will at once designate the battalions of their respective regiments, in accordance with the new regulations. Col. William L. Chase, inspector general of rifle practice, will, in addition to his other duties, perform the duty of inspector general, M. V. M. As acting inspector general, he will forthwith assume entire charge of all inspections. The present guard manual will be continued in use, with certain modifications until otherwise ordered.

WISCONSIN.

The eleventh annual convention of the officers of the Wisconsin National Guard, under the auspices of the National Guard Association, held last month in Milwaukee, was full of interest. One of the principal topics of discussion was the method to be employed in selecting the guard's representation at the World's Fair dedicatory exercises next October, having been proposed to have some 10,000 Guardsmen from different States take part. There was a very great diversity of opinion as to the way the selection should be made. Gen. Deane, laying the matter before the convention, called attention to the fact that rations and quarters would be furnished the soldiers, but they would have to pay their own transportation. The officers were pretty equally divided between the plans suggested.

A resolution was finally offered by Capt. Graham, of Tomah, to the effect that it be the sense of the convention that after deducting the strength of the battery and the squadron the remaining number of men be divided among the infantry regiments, the selections to be made by the regimental officers. After a lively discussion the motion was lost by a vote of 34 to 18. Capt. Lynch then moved to refer the whole matter to a committee consisting of the adjutant-general, the inspecting officer and the regimental officers, and the motion was finally adopted.

Gen. Deane informed the meeting that there was every reason for believing that the Guard's request for the 3d U. S. Infantry to go into camp with it would be granted, and then called the convention's attention to the proposed national encampment at Chicago in 1894. Col. Turner, of Chi-

cago, stated it had been proposed to have an encampment of 100,000 soldiers in or near Chicago during the World's Fair, but the difficulty of getting Congress to make an appropriation for rations and expenses of setting land for the camp, and finally of getting the men to go into camp, was so great that the plan was practically abandoned. In its stead Gen. Schofield had proposed to have on exhibition a sample of the Regular Army, in the way of a regiment or two, and a similar sample of the National Guard, which idea, the colonel thought, would be carried out.

A resolution was passed, urging the adoption of the military "setting up" exercises in the public schools.

Discussion of various matters of interest to the Guard took place and papers were read by Capt. Theodore W. Goldin and Col. King, the latter on "Notes on Ten Years' Service with the Wisconsin Guard."

The papers read were very interesting and were listened to with close attention. A number of letters were read, including one from Philip Phillips, who in the full of interesting reminiscences of the National Guard. Maj. Newman, of Janesville, paid a pleasant tribute to the services which Gen. Chapman has rendered the association as its president, and Capt. C. H. Boardman, of Oshkosh, spoke of the work which Col. King has accomplished for the Wisconsin National Guard. Lieut. Chamberlain, of Chicago, a member of the Illinois regiment, also delivered a brief address in which he urged that fraternal feeling be fostered in the National Guard of the various States in the Union. The meeting closed with a short speech by Edw. Ferguson, commander of the Wisconsin Commandery of the Loyal Legion. On the evening of Feb. 10, as guests of the 4th Infantry, the officers attending the convention attended the Davidson Theatre to witness the performance of Sardou's celebrated play of "Thermidor."

NAVAL BATTALIONS.

RHODE ISLAND.

Adjutant-General Dyer is desirous of completing the formation of the Naval Reserve Battalion, and the prospects are the matter will take immediate form. Mr. A. P. Slater, Jr., of Providence, is now looking over the field, with the object of organizing two companies of Naval Reserve Artillery at Providence. Mr. Slater possesses every qualification necessary for the task, and as a commander, being energetic and popular, he would secure a recognition for this branch of the service exceeded by no command in the State. Mr. Slater has received extensive instruction and practical experience in naval affairs, and is favorably considered by Adjt.-Gen. Dyer.—R. I. Military Journal.

The new battery which the Massachusetts Naval Battalion has recently received from the Navy Department is much admired, and is, with the exception of the Fuller battery, of Brattleboro, Vermont, the only one in the Militia in New England equipped with modern guns.

VARIOUS.

Lieuts. Minturn and Fairchild, of the 12th N. Y., have sent in their resignations.

The spring games of the 33d Regt. N. Y. Athletic Ass'n will take place at the armory on April 2. The games are open for members of the regiment only, and consist of 50 yards dash, 225 yards run, ¼ mile run, ½ mile walk, 440 yards run, running high jump, one mile run, 220 yards hurdle race, tug of war at 550 pounds limit, football, and an obstacle scratch race.

The Burgesses Corps, of Albany, N. Y., Major J. O. Woodward, are arranging to give a grand Easter ball at the armory on April 23. The corps was never in a more flourishing condition than it is at present. A trip to Richmond, Va., has been decided upon. The corps will leave on a special train on Oct. 8 next, and will stop en route at Philadelphia and Washington.

The annual spring games of the 8th N. Y. will be held at the armory, Park avenue, 94th and 95th streets, on Saturday evening, March 26, commencing at eight o'clock. The following events will be contested: 50 yards dash, 220 yards run, one mile run, one mile walk, two mile safety bicycle, obstacle race, 220 yards run, 1,000 yards run, running high jump, ¼ mile go-as-you-please, and one mile walk.

The Cadet Corps of the 1st Battery, N. Y., will give a drill, review and reception at the armory, 344 West 44th street, Monday evening, March 21. Drill at 9.15 o'clock sharp. There will be a standing gun drill—review. Dismounted battery and skirmish drills after the drill (by whistle) and a presentation of cadet's guidon, by Capt. L. Wendel. The corps has been instructed by Lieut. T. F. Schmidt, and an interesting drill is promised.

The following changes on the staff of Gov. Pattison, of Pennsylvania, are announced, under date of March 9: Lt.-Col. Alexander Rumbach, A. G., is relieved from duty as acting A. G. The following staff appointments are announced: Col. Walter W. Greenleaf, Q. M. General, to be adjutant-general, with the rank of brigadier-general, vice McClelland, deceased; Lieut.-Col. O. E. McClelland, A. D. C., to be Q. M. General with the rank of colonel, vice Greenleaf, appointed A. G.

The 30th anniversary of the organization of the 47th N. Y. Col. J. G. Eddy, will be appropriately and handsomely observed on the evening of Tuesday, March 29. The review will be taken by Gen. J. V. Meserole, and there will be a reception to the veterans of the regiment. On this occasion also long service and 100 per cent. medals will be presented. The regiment will on this evening appear for the first time in their new uniforms with white trimmings, it being the first regiment in New York or Brooklyn to adopt it.

G. O. 9, March 7, 1892, A. G. O., N. Y., publishes the dates of the annual inspection and muster of the different organizations of the State. The dates of inspections of the regimental organizations are the 1st and 2d Brigades appeared in the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL of Feb. 27. The battalions will be inspected as follows: 5th, at Syracuse, March 17; 6th, at Binghamton, March 21; 3d, at Brooklyn, April 25, and 1st and 2d, at New York City, April 26. The 7th and 8th Brigades will be inspected at Buffalo, May 25, and the 2d Brigade Signal Corps, at Brooklyn, April 25; the 10th Battalion will be inspected at Albany, April 21.

Col. W. Seward, 9th N. Y., directs the regiment to assemble, on the dates, and in the manner hereinafter ordered, for drill and instruction. The formation will be by battalions composed of the companies named herewith: 1st Battalion—Cos. G, D, B and K, under command of Major E. R. Japha; 2d Battalion—Cos. A, E and I, under command of Capt. Geo. T. Lorian; 3d Battalion—Cos. F, C and H, under command of Capt. W. Wolcott Marks. Battalions will assemble as follows: 1st Battalion, Tuesdays, March 22 and 29, and April 5; 2d Battalion, Wednesdays, March 23 and 30, and April 6; 3d Battalion, Thursdays, March 24 and 31 and April 7. Sergt.-Major Van Vleet will report for duty with 1st Battalion, Ord. Sergt. Weinman with 2d Battalion, Comd. Sergt. Jeffreys with 3d Battalion. The senior lieutenant in each battalion, not in command of the company, will act as adjutant for the battalion to which he is attached.

The annual military levee of the National Lancers occurred on Wednesday evening, March 3, at the company's armory, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Until long since, military levees were crowded with a most brilliant assemblage of distinguished men and charming ladies from every portion of the State, headed by Governor Russell and a large delegation from his staff. Besides a great number of officers from our State force, there were present representatives from the F. I. I. of Providence, the Worcester Continentals. On the whole the ball was probably the most successful this famous corps ever held, and many thanks for this is due to the efficient management of the committee who had the affair in charge as well as to Capt. Nichols, who is an indefatigable worker, and under whom the troop has manifested great improvement.

In the 22d N. Y., Co. K, Captain Hart, will give an invitation reception at the armory, in celebration of the opening of the new company parlor, on March 30. 1st Sergeant C. E. Astes, Co. C, was elected 2d lieutenant, vice Murray, promoted, on March 11. Co. C will hold its anniversary dinner at the Arena on May 23. The spring games of the regimental Athletic Club, which takes place in the armory on Thursday evening, March 24, promises to be quite interesting. The events will include a 70 yards dash, a 220 yards hurdle, ¼ mile run, one mile run, 220 yards hurdle, one mile bicycle, one mile walk, running high jump, 500 yards novice and obstacle race. Among the athletes of the regiment are the following well-known runners, walkers and jumpers: E. Hjertberg, H. Hjertberg, H. Zust, E. Puffer, G. Sands, Goff, Chas. Walton, H. E. Billings, W. D. Salazar, P. Burns, W. Walsh, J. D. Reid, and G. Fleis; also E. Collier and L. Sylvester.

Interest in armory rifle practice in the 60th N. Y. will be greatly developed by the Farley Medal Match, open to teams of seven men from each company in the 60th Regiment, including one team from field, staff and non-commissioned staff. Rounds, fourteen; seven off-hand and seven prone. Distance, 300 and 500 yards. The team making the highest aggregate score at both ranges will be presented with the handsome bronze medal, to be disposed of as the winner may decide. The match will commence Monday, March 21, and close on Monday, April 4. In order that the match will not interfere with the present routine of duty, the companies will shoot in the following order: Co. F, March 21; G, March 22; E, March 23; C, March 24; A, March 25; K, March 26; H, March 29; I, March 30; B, March 31; Field, Staff and Non-Com. Staff, April 4.

PATENTS FOR MILITARY INVENTIONS.

A selected list of patents reported especially for the U. S. ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, by Glascock and Co., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., all bearing date of March 14, 1892:

William Ramsden, Buxton, N. Dakota, means for exploding torpedoes.
Dennis Lane, Kirkwood, Mo., cartridge holder.
Ludwig M. Von Markhof, Vienna, Austria-Hungary, appliance for sighting guns.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

THE construction of the strategic railway line from Issoudun to the French East frontier between Issoudun and Saint-Florent and from Bourges to Cosne is being vigorously pushed forward. The ballasting of the permanent way will probably be completed by July.

PRINCE VICTOR EMMANUEL, heir to the Italian crown, is one of the handsomest and most accomplished men in his station of life. Although 23 years of age and widely travelled, he is still unmarried. He is liberal in his political views, versed in several languages, amiable and intellectual, and generally and justly beloved.

A PARIS despatch says: Not without amazement the French Government has learned that the grand German military manoeuvres will this year take place near Metz, in presence of the Emperor William. As the frontier is open and the French and German territories are liable to be easily mistaken, it would have been more courteous not to choose this district for the manoeuvres.

In preparation for the next siege of Paris the French War Department has taken steps toward the construction of an immense establishment in the city for the preservation of meat by freezing. Similar establishments on smaller scales will be attached to the forts encircling the capital. The cold air will be supplied to all from a central station operated according to a new compressed air system.

THE reports as to the usefulness of the field telephone in the Autumn Manoeuvres of the French Army state that a line of 23 kilometres was laid, with the addition of ten posts, in five hours; speech was good, and the whole was taken up again in an hour. During a sham fight a cavalry division passed over a long line without interrupting the communication. A bayonet stuck in the ground made a good earth, so did the body of a cavalry horse if the wire was attached to the bridle.

ONE of the most interesting sights along the Rio Grande is to see a regiment of Mexican soldiers taking a compulsory bath. It is only under compulsion that the rank and file of the army ever do bathe, and when the ceremony is in progress one-half of the regiment enters the water while the other half stands guard on the bank, rifles in hand, to shoot down any man who attempts to desert. When the ablution has been finished, the men resume their places in line and guard their comrades while they bathe.—Ovid Independent.

THE President of the French Republic commuted the penalty of death to which a French soldier was sentenced for striking an officer into one of hard labor for life. Private Gugel, however, refused to accept the commutation and demanded his right to be shot. Having been respited it is clear he cannot now be shot, and not having been tried for a civil crime he cannot be sentenced to hard labor which is unknown in the military code. If the Council of Etat to which the solution of the difficulty is referred, decides that a military prisoner can legally refuse a respite, it may equally pronounce M. Carnot's commutation as illegal, and if so, Gugel may possibly get off scot free.

THE Court-martial on Capt. Bourke and Staff Commander Tully, who were charged with allowing the *Victoria* to strike on a rock, found that the *Victoria*, whilst carrying out torpedo practice, was taken into dangerous proximity to an imperfectly surveyed and ill-defined shoal, without sufficient precautions having been previously taken to verify the position and extent of the shoal, and it has consequently been adjudged that Capt. Bourke shall be severely reprimanded and admonished to be more careful in future, and that Commander Tully shall be reprimanded. During the operations for the floating of the *Victoria*, the commander-in-chief, Sir George Tryon, lost his balance and fell overboard from the companion ladder. Fortunately his steam barge was handy, and several seamen jumped from it into the sea, and managed to keep the Admiral afloat, and got him into the steam-barge, none the worse for the mishap, save for the uncomfortable ducking. Sir George weighs 250 pounds.

PRESIDENT PRILLIGHINI, a member of the Cabinet visited Admiral Walker's squadron at La Plata March 14. They invited Admiral Walker in turn to inspect the Argentine Navy.

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NASH-WILSON.—At Vancouver Barracks, February 22, Major W. H. NASH, U. S. A., to Mrs. M. M. WILSON.

DIED.

CALLAN.—At Denver, Col., March 8, Mrs. MARY CALLAN, daughter of the late Major Robert A. Forsyth, and sister of Major L. C. Forsyth, Q. M. D. Buried at Detroit, Michigan, March 11.

MERRELL.—At New York City, March 13, ARISTINE BENTON, wife of Captain W. H. Merrell, U. S. Army, retired.

STEELE.—At East Orange, N. J., March 12, General DUDLEY S. STEELE.

TIERNON.—At Fort Monroe, Virginia, March 12, of peritonitis, CALIFORNIA, daughter of Harriet Virginia and John L. Tiernon, Captain 3d Artillery, U. S. Army, aged sixteen years and seven months.

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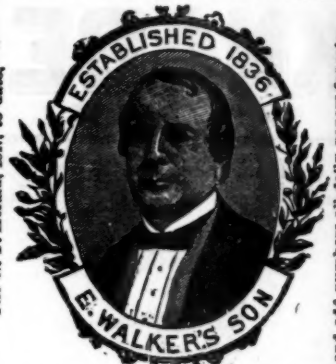
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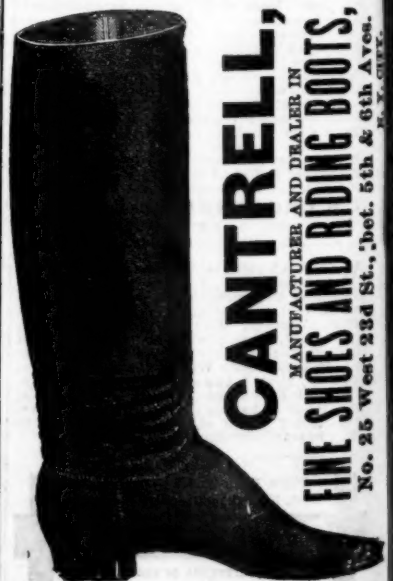
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